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A Monument for Fred Douglass.

Suggested by William Watson Woolen of Indianapolis, Ind.

EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN:

In the last issue of The Freeman I read the account of the citizens assembled at the Centennial Baptist church (Helena, Ark.,) to pay a tribute to Frederick Douglass, and was pleased to note that a "motion by Dr. Morris, that this meeting pledge $25.00 towards the erection of a monument to the memory of Frederick Douglass, the greatest Negro of his time, was unanimously adopted." The monument ought to be erected. It ought to be a national affair, and worthy of the man and the cause for which he stood. It should stand for more than Frederick Douglass—for that which was dearest to his heart—universal liberty.

There is but one proper place for it, and that is on Anacostia Heights. There the monument would be on what once was slave territory, but which by the efforts of Douglass and his colleagues is now and forever will be free soil. It would overlook Washington City and the Potomac Valley. It would be on the opposite side of the Capitol from the Washington monument, which unfortunately was erected in a valley. It would be where Douglass had made his home for many years, and where his soul took leave of the restless body. Anacostia Hights will ever be sacred to all liberty-loving people, and the Mecca to which they will journey. No doubt his family would readily accede to the erection of the monument there.

The gathering of the funds for and the erection of the monument should be in the hands of those who are above suspicion, and as near as can be without charge. Let it be a labor of love. There ought to be a National Executive Committee at Washington City. The President of the United States ought to be ex-officia president of that committee, and one of the great trust companies of that city ought to be the treasurer and trustee of the fund. In every state there ought to be a state organization, to which the contributions of the state should be sent, and which should have the supervision of the work in the state. The name of every donor with place of residence should be kept, and when the work is completed, these names alphabetically arranged, with the place of residence and amount donated should be enrolled in a book to be deposited in the monument as a "roll of honor."

The erection of the monument ought not be commenced until at least $100,000 has been subscribed; much more ought to be and no doubt will be subscribed. I firmly believe that every colored man, woman and child in this country will contribute, if given a chance, and I am sure there are thousands of white people who will be glad to donate to the fund. I know of no better medium for agitating this matter than through The Freeman. What think you? You can mark me for $50 00 payable in cash when $100,000 shall have been subscribed.

Commercial Block, March 11, '95.

Fire Bugs at Work.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

About two weeks ago some one set fire to St. Paul Baptist church, and it and several other houses were destroyed. The same night the Union school for colored children was set on fire but was extinguished before any harm was done. Also, some one set fire to the Baptist school, but it was put out before much harm was done. Memorial services were held at Bethel A. M. E, and the First Baptist churches in honor of the late Frederick Douglass. The Odd Fellows' Sermon was preached at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church. The brothers and sisters of Ruth rendered a good programme. Rev. J. M. Conner, of Hot Springs, was in the city this week on his way to Forest City. Judge Gibbs has returned to the city after a trip to the Northwest on business. The colored convention that met here last week left room for criticism in that it neglected to memorialize the legislature.

That Great Man Gone.

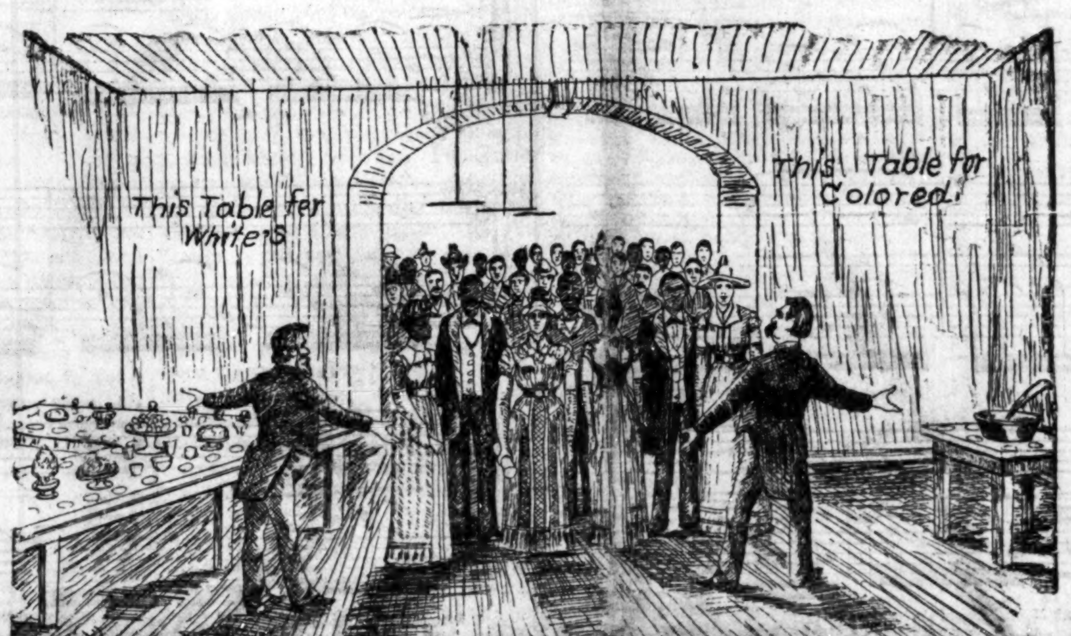
Berea, N. C., Special.

That great man is gone, Frederick Douglass, who lived in a time and under conditions that has made him the greatest Negro of the century. Peace to his ashes. The ladies meet every Wednesday evening as a Christian Aid Society. Mrs. Arnett Norwood is president; Mrs. J. R. Cozart, treasurer; Mrs. Ida Royster, secretary. They have many members. Mrs. Rosa L Chavis visited her sister, Anna E. Cozart, of Berea. Our school closes soon. Miss Queen V. Ellis will open school next Monday for small children. We think so much of Hon. Geo. L. Knox' "Life as he Remembers it." It is one of the first things we look for.

Closing Exercises at Turner College.

Shelbyville, Tenn , Special.

Rev. Mrs. Eli McKinnie was in the city on the 6th. The Ministers and Deacons' meeting at Mt. Zion church the 8th, 9th and 10th was well attended. The exercises at the Turner College was very good at the closing of the first term. Prof. J. A. Jones and wife, Mesdames J. C. McAdams, H. B. McChristian and Prof. R. P. Jones' hearts, souls and minds are in the work. Lawyers J. C. Adams and W. H. Gosling addressed the school. Mrs. A. R. Winter went to Nashville on the 9th inst. Lawyer J. McAdams procured a divorce for Rev. A. Niel. Mrs. Dan Blakemore's spring work has begun; she is very busy sewing. Prof R. L Whitesides' night school is well attended. Henry Donnell and wife are living with his mother and father. Mrs. Wm. Cowan likes the country better than city life. Mrs. Sarah Heart is taking music. Prof. E. L. Peacock is teaching at Wartrace.



WORK FOR A SECOND DOUGLASS.

Even as the great Frederick Douglass became the avant coureur of the first lesson of the gospel of justice for the NEGRO, which plead for his freedom from the auction block and the bloodhound, haste the day when the Second Frederick Douglass will appear to proclaim the SECOND lesson of justice to the Negro, to the end that not one of the hated discriminations of which he is made to suffer, for his God given color shall be practiced against him Douglass, and the thousands of noble men and women who struggled with him, did not plead in vain, but as yet, citizenship for the Negro in America is a COUNTERFEIT and SHAM.

Mrs. Martha Dunaway's funeral was attended from the Baptist church on the 8th by Rev. J. F. Bates. George Garrett was in the city on the 9th. Hiram Scales was brought home the 6th and his funeral attended by Revs. J. A. Jones and J. A. Hillsman. T. T. Ransom and wife have bought a nice store house and lot S. Sawyer and his beautiful wife have returned, after an extended trip north. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

The Sage of Anacostia Honored.

Denton, Tex., Special.

The high school held memorial exercises on Friday last, in honor of the "Old Man Eloquent," under the auspices of the Frederick Douglass Literary society of the Denton public school. Speeches were made by Revs. J. M, Anderson and R. T. Lewis, M. D., Harrison Welch and Prof. H. C. Bell. A large portrait of Frederick Douglass was draped and hung upon the wall of the school building. The Denton lodge No. 2503, G. U. O. of O. F, observed their Thanksgiving day Sunday, March 3d, Rev. R. T. Lewis, M. D., preached the annual sermon. Prof. H. C. Bell's new residence is almost completed. Geo. R. Hodge will commence the erection of a neat four room cottage next week. Prof. E. S, Doty is improving his property. G. R. Welch and Jas. Hall will each build new houses at once. The County Teachers' Institute met last Saturday. President H. C. Bell introduced the following resolutions on the death of Frederick Douglass:

Resolved, That in consideration of the sudden and lamented death of Hon. Frederick Douglass, the most distinguished and greatest representative of our race, and who, like his illustrious predecessors, Washington, Cromwell and Luther, was the embodiment of principles which seek to extend to all men the rights accorded them by the Creator of men.

Resolved, That we, the teachers of Denton county, Tex., extol to the world our esteem and appreciation of the late Frederick Douglass, and that in his death our race has lost one of its most honored and uncompromising friends and champions.

Resolved, That our heart felt sympathy goes out to his bereaved family and friends, and that we hereby offer our sincere concolence to all his friends and admirers.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in The Freeman, of Indianapolis, Ind.

Last Monday W. H. Howard shot Bill Perry; cause, the green-eyed monster. Howard was kept in jail a day or so, and is now out on a $500 bond. Perry's arm was so shattered that it had to be amputated.

Festivities and a Kaffir's Lecture.

Fulton, Mo., Special.

The city for the last several days has been quite lively with festivities of different kinds. Among them were donations and greetings to the newly married couple, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Smith. A Mother Hubbard and Broom Drill at the Baptist church, and a series of lectures by Prince Oakazurra, a copper colored Kaffir warrior. He claimed that during the Zulus war with the English in 1876, he was captured and taken to England. He is a believer in the Mohammedan worship. In his farewell words to young correspondents, he said that his country was almost all that may be desired by emigrants, and that it is no more subject to the contageous diseases which are held to the credit of the much discussed Liberia.

Her Twentieth Anniversary.

Cairo, Ill., Special.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thompson gave an entertainment March 6th at their residence in honor of their daughter Mary's twentieth anniversary. The house was decorated with beautiful flowers and the refreshments consisted of all the palatable fruits of the season, At 10:30 refreshments were served and every one seemed enchanted by the sweet strains of music. A good many of the young men congratulated Miss Mary on her twentieth anniversary. The following guests greeted her. Misses Eva C. Self, F. R. McDonald, Ida Bedford, Georgia Norris, Mattie Stuart, Amanda Penn, Nellie Bedford. Annie Holland, E. A. Jones, Villa Ridge, Ill.; Misses Nellie Taylor, Beatrice Head Emma Cosby, Messrs Ed. Carr, W. A. Lock, Thos. A. Bates, George Batstrom, Jas. Gardner, W. B. Penn, Berry Duncan, R. Hill, Chas. Brown, C. C, Wilson, W. Stevens, Jas. Mason.

Evangelist Dollie Lewis' Work.

Sonora, Ky., Special.

Evangelist Dollie Lewis, a member of the M. E. church in Indianapolis, is now in Bowling Green district meeting with great success. She spent two weeks in Litchfield, Ky., and sixty souls were brought to Christ by her preaching The good people in that town consider her a great woman, and say such work as she accomplished, was never known before. May God bless her in the work of the Lord in Bowling Green. She spent two weeks in this town and thirty-seven were brought to Christ, and the people were aroused as never before. She will be at home after conference.

REV. R. ACTON.

Odd Fellows' Annual Sermon.

Poplar Bluff, Mo , Special.

On March 3d, the G. U. O. of O. F. No. 3568, had their annual sermon preached at Pleasant Hill Baptist church by Elder W. B. White, pastor of Brown's' Chapel A. M. E. church. He took for his text 1st Samuel, 20th chapter, and the latter clause of the 3d verse. Theme, "There is but a step between me and death." The sermon was exceedingly powerful. A contribution of $16.25 was tendered at the close of the services. A revival is now being carried on at the Baptist church. Rev. Jones, of Cape Girardeau, is assisting Rev. H. T. Johnson in his meetings. Wm. Sims was out of the city on the 5th. Miss Estella Redmond has been very ill. Mrs. Emma Parker, Pennie Harrison, Mrs. Harris' baby, little Rosa Spencer J. Taylor, Chas. Johnson, Prof. Hicks and wife, Wm. Wadlington and Poolie Martin are all on the sick list.

Their Annual Sermon.

Kuttawa, Ky., Special.

The annual sermon of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. will be preached April 21st by Rev. W. T. Silvery of Providence. Cyrus Melvin is very sick, also Mrs. Cumiller Edmunds. Rev. Mrs. Berry is improving from an attack of pneumonia. Misses Belle Leech and Joyce Howard of Paducah, visited Miss Florida Ratcliff the 9th and 10th.

So They were Married.

Elkton, Ky , Special.

James Lyon and Miss Anna B. Hayes were married Feb 28th. Miss Nannie Duvall is still sick. Johnnie Cope is out again. W. H. Russell spent March 5th in Hopkinsville on business. Officers of the Baptist church are, W. M. Warfield, superintendent; T. R. Russell, secretary; Miss B. L. Gray, organist. Teachers, T. J. Bryant, Miss Willie Russell, Mrs. T. J. Bryant, Mrs. Katie Warfield, Miss Sissie Suttle, Librarians, Messrs. R, F. Russell and C. Reeves. Frank Patton has returned to Louisville, Ky. Tommie Corney has left town. J. Batson, the boot and shoe maker, has rented Robt. Turvis barbershop. George Dabney, of Clarksville, Tenn., is visiting in the city. Miss Nannie B Henderson fell from her house and sprained her ankle several weeks ago, but is able to be out again

Farmers Preparing for Planting.

Chappel Hill, Tex., Special.

The Odd Fellows held their memorial services at the A. M. E. church Sunday. The Services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Williams, of the A. M. E. church. The colored Big Four Dramatic company, of Brenham, Tex., will give one of their pleasing entertainments at Hempstead, Tex., Saturday night, March 9th. The colored farmers are plowing and planting their crops. The schools are not very largely attended on account of unfavorable wealth. There is a movement on foot to organize a K. of P. lodge in the near future.

His Farewell Sermon.

Madison, Ind., Special.

Miss Harriet Smith of Kentucky is in Madison to spend the summer. The Rev. Dr. Ford of Trinity M. E. church preached at the colored M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Sunday night Rev. J. H. Hargraves preached his farewell sermon. He retires from the ministry at a ripe old age, having fulfilled his mission in the good cause well. Miss Ruthie Smith is very sick. Prof. Allen of Carrolton is in Madison. Rev. N. L. Bray is on the sick list. Mr. Graves of Kentucky is the guest of Miss Ada Smith. William Sims of the Madison Hotel met with a painful accidnnt Sunday morning by falling. Walter Smith our colored hotel keeper is doing a fine business. Mr. Williams, our barber is prospering.

H. F.

Odd Fellows' Anniversary.

Cedartown, Ga., Special.

The Odd Fellows had their fourth annual sermon preached at the A. M. E. church on the first Sunday in this month. Rev. P. G. Simmons delivered the address. The lodge retired from their hall in uniform at 2:40 and marched to the church under the supervision of A. J. Hardwick acting as Drill Master. All of the prominent young people of this city were present, and highly appreciated the beautiful address delivered by the Reverend. The contribution of the good people of this small town was $5.00. Mrs. Maria Donilson, of Chicago, is visiing relatives in this city. The following are the general officers of East View lodge No. 2415: Elbert Battle, Ed. Shelton, S. L. George, T. R. Ellison, A. J. Hardwick, J. E. McCain, N. D. Brown, B. B. Avery, P. G. Simmons, A. B. Foster, R. N. Crook and H. C. Ellison.

Their Annual Sermon.

St. Joseph, Mo., Special.

Rev. Wilson, of the Indian Territory, is at the Baptist church this week. Rev Peck, Sr., left on the 9th for his home in Baltimore, Md. J. H. Evans, the agent for The Freeman, 223 S. Fourth street, will always have the paper on sale at 5 cents per copy. Memorial services were held at the new A. M. E. church at 3 p. m on the 26th ult., in honor of the late Frederick Douglass. Quite an interesting program was rendered. The citizens turned out en masse. St Elmo Lodge No. 2424, G. U. O. of O. F., had their annual sermon preached by Rev. R. P. Tyley at Frances Street Baptist church Sunday, the 3d, at 3:30 p. m. One hundred and fifty were present. Dr. J. R. A. Crossland, master of ceremonies.

A Masquerade Carnival.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Revival at Burks Chapel A. M. E. church. Rev. H W. Jamison, manager of Mme. Sylvester, the singer, filled the pulpit at the Washington Street Baptist church on the 10th Geo. Owens arrived home from St. Louis last week in a feeble condition. Adam McClure died on the 7th, inst., leaving a widow, mother and several brothers and sisters. The Laura Ray Dramatic club played at Mayfield, Ky., on the 8th and 9th. Mrs. Mahala Reeves, of Massac county, Ill., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Louisa Bradshaw. Cards are out announcing a Masquerade Carnival to be given by the Acme Social club at Odd Fellows' hall on Monday night, the 18th. Minor Bradshaw is solititing business for the Massachusetts Benefit Life Association of Boston, one of the safest institutions of the kind in the United States. There is a movement on foot to organize a Bycicle club for the summer. The Freeman is for sale at 419 Jackson street every Saturday.

"THE MANHATTAN GERMAN."

The Rose of Sharon Celebrate—Payne Literary Honor

Douglass—The Washington Literary and Young Peoples' Literary in Joint Session in honor of the Sage of Annacostia.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

Rose of Sharon lodge, G. U. O. of O. F., celebrated its Thanksgiving on March 3d at Shiloh Baptist church; sermon by Rev. L. W. Wells The Douglass Memorial edition of The Freeman elicited warm praise. The Phyllis Wheatley Literary will decorate the walls of the high school with a life size portrait of Frederick Douglass. Payne Literary Coterie paid honor to the memory of our fallen leader, on last Thursday night as follows: Music, Coterie; prayer by chaplain, J. S. Reid, M. D.; music, coterie; recitation, Mrs. M. A. Calhoun; oration, "Frederick Douglass," H. C. Crawford, Jr.; essay, "Life of Frederick Douglass," Miss C. A. R. Grant; "Douglass, the Orator, Statesman and Race-man," Prof. A. H. Coldwell; Biography of Frederick Douglass, Master B. E. Bowens, Jr.; Remarks on the Life of Frederick Douglass, Rev. S. M. Holmes, C. S. Shelton, Prof. C. C. Carter, S. McLewis and Rev. J. W. Rankin. Recent deaths are Willis Wayman, aged 80 years, and M. Reed, father of Prof. J. H. Reed. The following compose the staff of our local race paper: Dr. J. S. Reid, editor; Rev. S. M. Holmes, proprietor and manager; Miss C. A. R. Grant, local editor; E A. Nolan, associate editor; H. C. Crawford, mailing editor; E. W. Knox, traveling agent and news reporter; C. C. McIntosh and Jacob McIntosh, compositors. Miss Laura Johnson, of Nashville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Reid. Miss E. Wiggins is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. Hall. Mrs. Frances Hudson has gone to Dallas. Rev. W. A. Fortson, of Hempstead, was in the city last week. Prof. John A. Freeman, orator, teacher and politician, led Miss Ellen B. Gregg to the altar on the night of the 14th. The couple started on life's journey with splendid prospects. Twenty-five or more of our most charitable people, headed by Bros. McLewis and Jefferson, tendered a pound party to Bro. Madison Williams, an aged member of the Shilohn Baptist church, who is sick and down. Miss Victoria Calhoun is better. Capt. Lewis Johnson has added two rooms to his residence. Messrs Burnes and Chase have opened a barber shop. C. S. Shelton, the head waiter of the Exchange hotel, has been quite sick but is convalescent. Miss F. M. Bell is up again after a week's illness. Little Wesley Whitehead is still very sick. An Odd Fellows' lodge has been organized in Burleson county, with Henry Smith as N. G.

Douglass Educational Association.

Texarkana, Ark., Special.

The Washington, Lincoln and Young Peoples' literary clubs and the pupils of the first and second primary in joint session to commemorated the death of Frederick Douglass as follows: Song, "Nearer My God to Thee," school; prayer, Rev. D. B. Harston; introductory, Prof. A. B. Crump; song, "Revive us Again," school; paper, "Douglass' Birth and Surroundings," Lizzie Fuller; papers, "Boyhood of Douglass," Evan Johnson, Birdie Doles and James Halloway; song, school; papers, "Douglass as a Slave," Cecil Brown and Florence Yarber; song "Peace be Still," school; papers, "Douglass as a Student," Georgia Black and Laura Lou Marshall; paper, "Douglass' Escape from Slavery," Jere Edward; song, "Red, White and Blue," school; paper, "Douglass' Citizenship," Joe Emory; papers, "Douglass Abroad," Willie Daniels and Daniel W. Crowley; song, "America," school; paper, "Douglass' Statesmanship," Sam Edward; paper, "Douglass and his Race," Chas. Oates; closing remarks, Prof. A. B. Crump principal. Chas. Oates, president; Miss Josie Roney, secretary. After the exercises were over the pupils of the 5th, 6th and 7th grades wrote the name of Frederick Douglass on the black board as a tribute of respect to the deceased. The failure of the First National Bank of Texarkana and Texas on the 6th inst., caused considerable uneasiness among the colored people on account of their deposits, but it is the general opinion that the business will be squared up in a few days without loss to depositors. The special election on the question of whisky on the 6th inst., resulted in a victory for the Prohibitionists by a majority of five or six hundred in Bowie county, Texas, and in a few days Texarkana, Tex., and Texarkana, Ark., will be on equal terms as to the sale of whisky. Rev. Wm. Christian lost his oldest son on last Sunday morning. The Odd Fellows' anniversary was held at the State Line M. E. church on the 3rd inst. The annual address was delivered by R. Robinson. Rev. Jackson preached the anniversary sermon. G. W. Johnson was master of ceremonies. Prof. Roseburough's "Celestial Showers" were used at the anniversary by Texarkana's colored music composer.

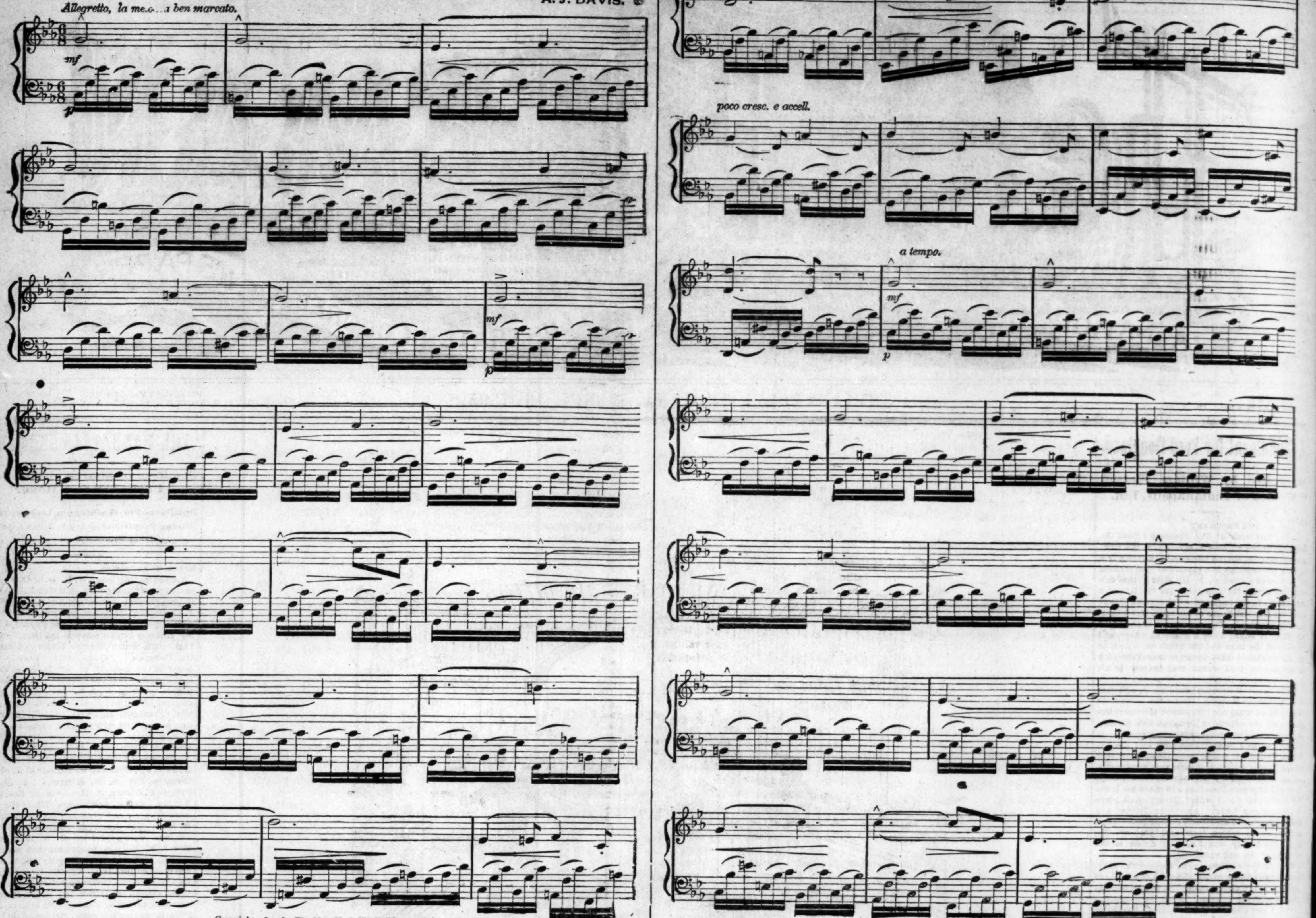
Manhatthan's "First German."

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

The Manhatthan German club, consisting of young men, gave their first German the 6th inst., at the residence of Mrs. A. McFall. All had a jolly time. The gents were in evening dress, while the toilets of the ladies were elegant. The cotillion was led by Mr. Bass. The active members of the Manhatthan are Messrs. L. H. Thomas, president; A. J. H. Bass, vice-president; Wiley E. Price corresponding secretary; Joseph McNeal, recording secretary; Patton Lutton, treasurer. The next German will be on or about May 1st.

SONG WITHOUT WORDS.

A. J. DAVIS.



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Song without words.—2.

How a Five Dollar Bill

Made a Merry Christmas for Little Abram Brown—A Story for Bright Afro-American Boys and Girls.

BY THEIR "UNCLE B. SQUARE."

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CAPTER II.

Abraham Lincoln Brown was a bright little colored boy twelve years old. He was born in Danville, Va., and lived there all his life until last spring when his father moved up North to B——. Abram's father was the head man in one of the largest tobacco factories in Danville where they made plug and smoking tobacco. His pay was $15.00 a week which is big money down South. He bought a little cottage just outside of Danville, where Abraham, his two little sisters, father and mother lived.

Last March the white man who owned the tobacco factory found out that he could make more money by moving it up North to B——, so he sold the place and opened a large factory in B——. He liked his colored workmen so he told them to sell out and move with him up North where they would still have work with him. Abram's mother did not like the idea of selling their little home and "goin' out yonder," as she called B——, but his father who was something of a business man talked her in to it. So they sold their little house for $900 which was one hundred dollars more than it cost them, and followed the white man who owned the factory up North.

Now $900 down South in Danville was a lot of money; you could buy a lot for $200, build a nice little cottage for $600 and furnish it for $100. Nine hundred dollars up North in B—— was very little money; you could not buy a lot for that sum, so when the Brown family got to B—— they had to rent rooms; not a house as the houses were all what they call in the North "flats," that is a big house five or six stories high with rooms on each floor for one family to live in. There were little cottages out of town, but "out of town" up North in B—— was so far away that Abram's father could not get to his work at 7 o'clock in the morning, so they were obliged to rent a "flat" in the city near his work. The flat or floor cost $25.00 a month, and they had to buy new bed, tables, chairs, stove and other things to fit in their new home to make it look like the other colored people's homes who lived in the house so they would not laugh at the Browns and say that they had "just come up from Bingham, down behind the sun," as some silly Southern people often say about their old friends from the South, when they first come up North and are not fashionable.

The new furniture cost them $300, then there was another trouble; they all had to get new clothing as their friends called their Danville coats and hats "out of style," so by the time Abram's father went to work he had spent $500 of the money he had brought with him from Danville. Then Abram's mother found out that it cost more for things to eat than it did down in Danville, and then you did not get the nice fresh things out of the markets in B—— as you did in Danville and often wished that she was back in her neat little "Ole Virginny" cottage.

After Abram's father had been working in the B—— tobacco factory three months a rich firm called the "Trust" bought it and put all white men in it to work the tobacco. For six weeks Abram's father could find no work. He walked all about the city of B——, and it was a big city too, but he could not find any work. Of course Abram's father, mother, two little sisters and himself had to eat, at least twice a day, during the time his father was looking for work; then the landlord who owned the house had to be paid once during the six weeks $25. Then Abram's father had to use quite a good many five cents riding on the cars now up town, now down town, then across town. At last the father found work on a dock, loading and unloading the boats and ships that came in there. The money in the bank was now all gone, but two hundred dollars and the mother wanted to take that and go back to Danville and start life again, but Abram's father told her to wait for one or two months until he made some more money working on the dock, as he was going to get twenty-five cents an hour for that kind of work, and as he could work ten hours a day he knew that he would have $2.50 a day, almost as much as he got in the tobacco factory. The second day after the father had been working on the dock a big bale of cotton fell upon him, and broke three of his ribs and hurt his insides so they brought him home, but he died after being sick three weeks. It took almost all of the two hundred dollars to pay the doctor and undertaker's bill, so poor Mrs. Brown had but twenty dollars left, so she put the most of her things in a "storage" and moved out on the edge of the town on the top floor of one of a row of old houses in which some very poor colored people lived. Your Uncle B. will say for the benefit of his little readers 'way down South and perhaps 'way down East too, that a "storage" is a house where people put their beds, tables and chairs to keep until they want them, just like the good, kind lady and the store keeper in the other chapter put their money in the bank for the bank folks to keep for them until they wanted to use it. There is this difference between a bank and a "storage" house: The bank pays you to keep your money for you, while the storage house people make you pay. If you do not pay up they will sell your things for debt or rent.

Abram's mother had to pay seven dollars a month for these little old rooms in their new home and took in washing now to keep them from starving. She sent Abram and his sisters to the public school, as she was a very wise lady and knew that it would not do for her children to grow up ignorant. She was getting along as well as could be expected for a woman who had never done that kind of work before only to wash for her own family. When the small pox broke out in the upper end of the street in which the Browns lived, there also lived a white family. When the folks for whom Abram's mother washed, found out that she lived in that street they all took their washing away because they said that they were afraid that they would catch the small pox. Now the Browns lived about one mile away from the house where the small pox was as it was a very long street. They were about twenty "blocks" away or twenty "squares" as they call them in some of the cities where some of you boys live, so you see there was no danger, but some white folks are awfully afraid of dying (and your Uncle B. don't blame some of them for being afraid to die, for several reasons which he will tell you when you grow up—if he lives that long) so Abram's mother had no work and had used up all the money that she had in the house. She got behind in her rent, and two weeks before Christmas she caught a heavy cold while scrubbing out an office so that she had to stay home to get well.

Little Abraham had to leave school and work about, doing odd jobs here and there for a few pennies. Abram's mother had saved three dollars and intended to buy some little things for Christmas so they could have some kind of a good time to remind them of the Christmas before when they were down in "Ole Virginny," where you all know they have good times Christmas. The landlord came in the morning before Christmas and told her that she must move right out if she could not pay something on the back rent, so she gave him two dollars and a half of the money she had saved for Christmas and bought the dinner with the other fifty cents, She felt very sorry to think that they would not have anything for Christmas dinner. Abram also felt like crying as it would be the first Christmas in his life that he did not have a good time and lots of good things. He went out and walked all over town and asked everybody for work of some kind but got none. Just before night fall he saw a white boy about his own age open the carriage door for a nice lady who gave the boy a dollar, so Abram concluded to open the next coach that drove up before the big dry goods and toy store. A fine carriage soon drove up and Abram opened the door. The lady started to give him a half dollar but when she saw that he was a little colored boy she put the half dollar back in her pocket and said, "get out of the way you dirty little black imp." It was the kind good lady who got the dirty five dollar bill from the bank and who gave the servant girl's money to the poor.

"I may be black, mam, but I am not dirty for my mother keeps me clean. If I did any harm to you I am sorry," said Abram as he started down the street. He walked up one street and down the other until he was tired and then started home with a sad heart. When he got to the corner where the piece of tomato can lay, he picked it up and looked at it by the street light. Oh, how his heart jumped with joy when he found that it was a five dollar bill. He started back towards Market street, running as fast as he could. He halted before one of the large butcher shops.

"How much for that big turkey up there, mister?" asked Abram.

"Well," said the butcher-man, "as I want to sell out as it is getting late you can have it at ten cents a pound, Johnnie; let's see how much it weighs—just twenty pounds—that will be two dollars. Do you want it sonnie?"

"That's too much money; I've only got five dollars and lots of things to get, mister," replied Abram as he started to walk away.

"See here, Bub, I tell you what I'll do; I'll give you that turkey, a quart of cranberries and a bunch of celery thrown in, and send them for you all for two dollars; that's the best I can do my boy."

"I'll take it; please send it up to No. ——, back street and ask for Mrs. Brown. Here, sir, take your money out of this five dollar bill," said Abram as he handed up our old five dollar bill to the man.

"Why that's the second time I have taken in that old five dollar bill to-day; where did you get it sonnie?" asked the butcher.

"Why, ain't it good?" asked Abram without telling where he found it.

"Yes its good; here's your change, my little man," said the butcher

Abram hurried down to Main street where he bought the following:

2 dolls for his sisters, for 10c each	20
1 Noah's Ark for his baby sister	10
1 toy set of dishes (tin)	10
1 dozen oranges	15
1 peck of red apples	15
1 pound of sugar	06
1 pound of tea	25
1 pair of slippers for his mother	50
Total on the whole	$1 51

So you see that Abram had one dollar and forty-nine cents left with which he hurried home, getting there just as the turkey got there. He told his story to his mother who said that he was a lucky boy, also a good boy. He bought a Christmas tree late at night from a peddler who was anxious to sell out for fifteen cents, and candles, popcorn and other things, enough to dress the tree for thirty-four cents, so he had just one dollar left which he gave to his mother. They had a merry Christmas and his mother took 50c of the money and put an advertisement in the paper for work the day after Christmas, and got it too, and next week they will have enough money to go back to Danville where Abram's grandfather lives who will help them restart in life.

So you see that the old five dollar bill got its wish as it was some good, and brought joy to the Browns.

SOLDIERS PASS RESOLUTIONS

At a Condolence Meeting on the Death of Frederick Douglass.

Ft. Robinson, Neb., Special.

At a regular meeting of condolence, called by the members of the 9th United States Cavalry, at Fort Robinson, Neb., March 2, 1895, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS. It has pleased the Great Architect of the universe to remove from our race its greatest orator, statesman, and philanthropist, that we have ever had. Frederick Douglass

WHEREAS It is but just that a fitting recognition of his many services should be appreciated; therefore be it

Resolved, By the members of the 9th United States Cavalry, that while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been taken from us.

Resolved. That in the death of Fredrick Douglass, our regiment, lament the loss of an unequaled leader, who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed of our race; an active and hard worker, for our people when they were depressed Whose utmost endeavors were exerted for the race's wellfare and prosperity. A friend and companion who was dear to us all; a citizen whose upright and noble life was a standard of emulation to his fellows.

Resolve. That the heartfelt sympathy of the members of the 9th United State Cavalry, be extended to his family in their affliction.

Resolved. That these resolutions be published in the Indianapolis Freeman and the Richmond Planet, and a copy transmitted to the family of our deceased race leader, Frederick Douglass.

Appointments of Junior Contestants.

Lincoln University, Pa., Special.

The second division of the Juniors delivered their orations in the prayer hall of the Chapel March 2, and the judges appointed the following speakers as contestants for the Junior Medal next June: J.J. Benton, Georgia; A. H. Taomason, Arkansas; W.C. Todd, Virginia; J. D. Turner, Maryland; I. E. Wilson, Virginia; W.G. Willson, Virginia. Memorial services were held in the chapel of the University in honor of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass. Addresses were made by W. H. Clark, A. B. of the Theological Department, Chas. Williams, class of '95, and the president and members of the faculty.

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STORY OF BLOOD AND CRIME!

Chas. S. Morris, the Brilliant Young Race Man,

Discusses the Crime of the South—No. 1, of a Series of Articles to Appear at Intervals in Our Columns.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

The associated press dispatches from the South literally teems with the greatest charges against the Negro. The telegraph wires fairly ring with the cry of "rape rape." Cross roads that were hither to unknown immediately spring into national fame by lighting a Negro as a torch on account of rape. This charge has told terribly against the good name of the race, It is too frequent to be denied without investigation, too grave to be ignored if the Negro has undergone the radical and complete transformation in a quarter of a century that would make him capable of committing this crime no one ought to know sooner or surer than those of his own race, if these charges are the foul promptings of politics, malice, or race hatred, then again the Negro ought to be the first to know it. White men also ought to feel some interest in knowing what prompts men of their own race to act like devils.

Only a thorough, impartial and painstaking investigation conducted on the ground with a determination to get at the facts, no matter against whom those facts may lie, will be of real services. Such an investigation I have undertaken and I hope I may be able and permitted to make. I say permitted because the people down this way, the white people I mean, do not fall over each other in their efforts to assist you. And the colored people sometimes are a little timid in placing you in possession of facts that they know as well as they know their names. To the white people this charge of rape is regarded as a crime committed by the alien and inferior race for whom they have little sympathy and less respect. To the Negro it is the direct calamity that could befall him because it brings down on all our heads, the innocent with the guilty, the many with the few, the North with the South, the sweeping, blustering and pitiless condemnation of the civilized world. A whole race stands charred and blackened with the scorching flames of this fiery accusation. It burns us with a brand more cruel than the mark of Cain. The sting of other charges is as the bite of a mosquito, to that of adders and scorpions, compared to this. The state calumnies of a quarter of a century ago no longer injure the Negro, nor terrify his friends, but *this* charge is a mantle of living fire, that covers eight millions of people and burns their good name of centuries to ashes and soot. Is this new spectre that is said to be stalking through the South on a mission more terrible than the angel of death in the land of Egypt, causing blood to desert the cheek of virture and making men act like devils, is it an honest ghost a real terror? Is the black face and a blacker heart beneath its sable robe, or is it like "Negro upraisings," a word painted scare crow like Negro domination?

The good name of a race is too sacred a thing for men to blister and blacken with a charge so heinous without knowing that behind that charge is a foul and awful reality.

For purjured lips or malicious hearts or political tricksters to lay this charge at the door of the men who for four years guarded the unarmed defenseless and deserted white women of the South, who walked among them unattended and unharmed, as safe as if living among eunuchs, and guarded as sacredly as if protected by angels; for these men to forget the unheard of magnanimity of slaves whose liberty they were trying to destroy forever, and to now turn upon them and at the bidding of politics or prejudice, cover them with the foul infamy of this charge, without knowing it to be true, is a crime fit only for devils. I have made some little investigation into this charge already, and in the cases I have looked into, I find first, that the white people of the South call all contact between a Negro and a white woman rape. It does not matter whether she consents or not.

The crime consists not so much in the act, as in the fact, that one of the parties is a Negro man. Second, they have no stakes, no bonfires, no ropes, no volleys from winchesters for white men guilty of the most infernal outrages on colored women. Neither do they object to white men living with and raising a family by colored women.

The angel Gabriel with his trumpet could not summon a corporal guard from all over the South to lynch a white man for either of these offenses. Millions of Negroes have had their blood diluted with Anglo-Saxon blood, Irish blood, German blood, French blood, Spanish blood, and even the blood of Father Abraham. They have been painted every color, from ebony to alabaster. Whitewashed with one, two, three and four coats, and not in one single instance in all the sixteen states of the South, and in all the centuries of the Negro's dwelling here, has one single white man been cut in strips, swung to a tree, riddled with bullets or burned to cinders for outraging the virtue of a colored woman. While in Richmond on my way South, I called upon Governor O'Ferrell, who received me courteously and who in response to a question, assured me that he proposed to prevent lynching in Virginia if it took every soldier Virginia had. He also told me during this interview, of a case of rape committed by one of the wealthiest white men of Danville, Va., on a little 11-year-old colored girl. I went down to Danville to attend the trial of this man. The particulars of this trial I will report next week. The case was clearly proven against him. The child was terribly injured. The prisoner, after five minutes, deliberation by the jury, the foreman of which was the leader of the Danville massacre, was promptly acquitted. I need not say if he had been a Negro and the girl white, Governor O'Ferrell might have used every soldier Virginia possessed, and still would not have been able to have prevented him from being lynched. Tom Penn is noted in Danville for having ruined more colored girls than any other man in the place.

An account of his transactions in this way, causing sorrow in many humble homes, creating a split in the leading colored church, and culminating in this crime that brought him within the shadow of the gallows, is unfit for publication, and yet he still goes unwhipped of justice and is congratulated by some the leading people of the city, among them the prosecuting attorney, the result of a verdict of twelve men, good and true, who may be fitly stiled a jury of his peers.

CHARLES S. MORRIS.

Danville, Virginia.

Letter From England.

MR. GEO. L. KNOX:

Sir:—A few years ago I spent nine months in the United States, and travelled about a good deal, from Boston to Kansas City and from St. Paul to Washington, and many other places. I was interested in the colored people, but found it almost impossible to get any information on the right side, and had begun to get a little discouraged lest the freedom had not brought the good that England had hoped, and especially lately when we were receiving information from the South bearing evidence of constant lynchings, said lynchings taking place because of the awful crimes Negroes were accused of. But I am glad to say that the light seems to be breaking through the dark clouds, for we have heard a good deal on the brighter side through Mr. G. F. Richings of Boston, U. S. A, who is over in our country, and delivering lectures, illustrated with magic lantern slides, illustrations of the progress of colored people. We know that the camera tells the truth, and the intelligence of the expressions on the faces, the magnificent educational institutions, the larger stores, and the many professional men and women that we spoke of has indeed shown us what capabilities there are in the colored people. Mr. Richings has been in many of our large cities and been listened to with interest in public buildings and private drawing rooms.

We were interested in hearing of the large barber shop that you own ($10,000) of hearing [of the books written by colored people, newspapers edited by them, of their singers, of their enthusiasm for learning. May you prosper, and as Robert Browning says, "Give us the guerdon of going on." Again I say, "May you go on and prosper."

Yours sincerely,
MISS GERTRUDE FRYE,
13 Eaton Crescent, Clifton,
Bristol, England.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

By the Literary Department of the B. Y. P. U. of Austin, Tex.

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS:

WHEREAS: It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of Hon. Frederick Douglass, the noted Negro freedman and diplomat, one of the greatest men of his day, having held many places of honor in the gift of the nation, and who has ever been a defender of the rights of his race, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Union desires to place on record its high estimation of those qualities for faithful, persistent, and skillful work which characterized all his efforts during more than a quarter of a century of active service.

Resolved, That his minute and painstaking study of the needs of the race and his logical demonstration of their ability, constantly proved his eminent fitness for the place that he has won in the hearts of the people and his high and rare qualifications as a leading authority.

Resolved, That his earnestness of purpose and his iron-clad will to know no disappointment are grateful remembrances of his unselfish ardor, of his conscientious regard of duty, and of his earnest devotion to the highest development of the Negro race.

E. W. D. ABNER, M. D.
R. LEE JONES, Secretary.
W. H. BUCKNER, President

WHAT MUST THE NEGRO DO?

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I had the pleasure of dropping in at the B. S. D. club meeting and they had under consideration the above subject, "What Must the Negro Do?" That is to say in cases where he is charged with crime that involves a white person, such as rape or murder, Is it right for a Negro to submit to the law when the law won't protect him? Would it not be better for him to fight until he dies than to be taken back to a mob and lynched? He has to die any way and he had might as well die like a man. The club decided that it was the best for us to stay here and not go to Africa. If we start to running the white man will go over there and run us again. The speaker said that he didn't want to be misunderstood, but he thought it foolish for any man to submit and give up his life, when he wasn't guilty of anything, and when the law won't protect him and give him a fair trial.

The trouble with us, said he, is that we are afraid that if we die under such circumstances that we won't go to heaven. Well I think we have the wrong idea. We have just as much showing for eternal rest as anyone has. You may go where you will but if the Negro don't act a man he will be lynched as long as time last and the South stands. No use in asking God to help when we won't help ourselves. Congress can't settle this thing. The man who is charged with the crime is the one. I don't mean for the Negro to take up arms to organize for that end, but I mean when a mob is waiting for him and the sheriff, wouldn't it be better to fight and die like a man than to die like a cowardly cur? I for one say stay here; this is as much our home as it is the white man's. Our father's fought for it and saved it. At this juncture the meeting adjourned.

S. W. MOORE,
Little Rock, Ark.

Against Mexican Migration Scheme.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I notice in the last few issues of The Freeman and in many of the great dailies throughout the country, that a scheme is on hand to immigrate the Negro to Mexico. As a friend of my race, and one wishing my people prosperity and progress I take the liberty to address them through your valuable journal, which I have been constantly reading with much pleasure since the introduction of the same by you hustling and ever active agent. In the first place the land that the Negro is to cultivate is in the same condition that the South was in 200 years ago which I know by experience—the scheme is one of dollars and cents for the company that is advocating immigration, and not for the betterment of the race. My advice to the Negro is, stay in the land where you have lived for more than 200 years You have lived there among the whites for all these many years, and now when you are on the eve of equal rights as guaranteed by the constitution of the United States, in fact as well as in theory. As a native of the South, I know whereof I speak, knowing well the many discouragements of my people shown by the Jim Crow cars, and lynchings; and the continued agitation of African and Mexican immigration, which keeps them in an unsettled condition. I will say to the Negro stay where you are, save your money, invest in real estate, educate your children, and patronize race enterprises and the day is not far distant when we will enjoy equal privileges. The Negro to-day is an important factor in the labor problem through the South. Africa is not your home and Mexico affords you but few inducements; the natives are already protesting against the scheme. I hope that you will pardon the liberty which I have taken to enter my protest in your valuable journal.

J. S. H.,
Santa Fe, N. M.

Annual Sermon.

Bloomington, Ind., Special.

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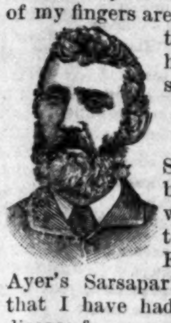

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I would like to find my brother and sister, George Hargrave and Fannie Hargrave. My name was Lucinda Hargrave; our mother Allie Hargrave. Brother, Robert Hargrave, and a white girl by name of Martha Hargrave were drowned at Mitchell's Mill and were buried at Limestone church. My brother and sister belonged to Bill Hargrave, and I was sold to Benjamin Elis, and he willed me to his married daughter, Nancy Norris. We lived in Jefferson Co., Ala., at the crossroads between Huntsville and Elk river. Pastors will please read to congregations. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Lucinda Pillow in care of Fannie A. Topson, 1313 East Fremont street, Des Moines, Iowa.

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LESSON OF DOUGLASS' LIFE.

The chief lesson to be derived from a dispassionate contemplation of the career of FREDERICK DOUGLASS is that, after all, even in poor, narrow, contracted, prejudiced America, color and "past condition," as impediments and hinderers to influence and distinction, are not by any means insurmountable, and are frequently made bugbears of without real necessity, and very often used as scapegoats by members of the race, who, had their skins been white as alabaster and their blood of the bluest strain, would nevertheless have made no stir in the world. Many members of the race there are, living and dead, who enjoy and have enjoyed the unction of being regarded as embryotic or deflected great men, "had it not been for their color," "past condition," who can bless their stars for this very distinction of color, without which, their presence on earth would never have been known. In the case of FREDERICK DOUGLASS, while numerous collateral influences helped in the shaping and rounding up of his great life, to FREDERICK DOUGLASS himself, is the race and mankind most indebted for whatever in his career will defy the canker and rust of time.

"Others, though great, beneath their argument seemed struggling,
While he from above descending stooped to touch the loftiest thought."

As an advocate of right and justice he was listened to more because he was a SUPERIOR MAN than an eloquent ex-slave. He appeared to the whites, alternately awed and melted by the matchless eloquence of his fuller and fresher manhood, more as a GREAT MISSIONARY, shaming them away from their iniquities and sins, than as a mere impassioned Negro and manumitted slave recounting in tearful numbers the sorrows of his people.

It was this exalted, overshadowing quality of intellect that gave to Mr. Douglass' life, as reflected in his addresses and printed articles, that

"One touch of nature,"

that living, ranked him with the world's great men; dead, brought to his bier the offerings of praise and regret from the lips of every nationality.

In his life and death he has demonstrated that the entailment of "past conditions" cannot attach to high resolves or prevent the world from recognizing the TRUTH, no matter the hue of the lips it drops from. It is something to be proud of to deserve the sobriquet Great Negro; it is something far more to be proud of to deserve that other sobriquet, GREAT MAN.

And this is the lesson of Douglass' life: Color, past conditions and present hindrances, as "stoppers," will all get out of the way of the Negro who determines NOT TO BE PUSHED OFF THE COURSE BY THEM.

IS THIS TRUE?

One of the knock-down statements that has been made more or less in behalf of the South, as a partial offset to its cussed treatment of the Negro in other directions, has been that where the tyranny of trades unions of the North shut him out from employment in thousands of instances, save as a servant to servants, in the South nothing of the kind existed, and whenever qualified in the line of skilled mechanism he was readily and pretty generally employed. We confess we had come to look upon this statement as mainly true, and have on divers occasions discussed and illustrated it to the credit of the South, and the corresponding discredit of the North, who while it did not indulge in Jim Crow legislation, and vouchsafed the black man certain civil privileges denied him south of the imaginary line, nevertheless withheld from him the much more important privilege—the right to earn his bread, to be employed, be given work regardless of the color of his skin.

Comes now a correspondent from Wilmington, N. C., writing the New York Evening Post under a recent date to this effect, which rather takes the starch out of some things it has pleased us to believe and praise the South for. Said the correspondent:

The cotton-mill men of this section are very much amused over an article which recently appeared in the New York Dry Goods Chronicle, under the caption of "Wild-Cat Mills in the South." Among some other erroneous statements which the article contains is the following:

"Black labor is lazy and inefficient. Negroes cannot be trained to perfect skill nor steady industry. Where a high degree of skill is required they cannot compete with white men, nor can they produce as much in a given time. * * * therefore they cannot compete in the production of high-grade fabrics. That bars the South in fine goods, and as it can only make coarse cotton it can only challenge New England in class, etc."

All this seems very amusing in view of the fact that there is not a Negro cotton-mill operative in either of the Carolinas, and, as far as I am informed, there is not one in the entire South. The operatives of the Southern cotton mills are all white, and nearly all of them natives of the Southern States, and the fact that white operatives will not work with Negroes, even if the mill owners desired to employ the latter, is sufficient ground for predicting that the cotton mills in this section will continue to be operated by white labor indefinitely.

Who knows about this? We have already confessed our ignorance. Has this writer stated the truth? Can it be that colored men and women are nowhere employed in the South as operatives in cotton mills? The concluding reflections of the correspondent are very trying, but not near so as the evident condition of things he bases his prognostications upon. Who among our thousands of readers in the South will furnish us either with a verification or a reliable denial of this statement?

THE DOUGLASS NUMBER.

The Douglass number of the Indianapolis FREEMAN is, indeed, a credit to Negro journalism, both in general make up and literary merit.—The St. Louis "American Eagle."

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The Indianapolis FREEMAN payed a glowing tribute to the memory of Mr. Douglass, in last week's issue. It made a synopsical review of his life from childhood to greatness. Mr. Douglass deserves everything that was said and done to his memory; and added to this, he will only get his full reward at the limit of his eternal blessedness.—The Parson's Kansas Blade.

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The Indianapolis FREEMAN's account of the death and burial of Hon. Frederick Douglass, and the interesting narrative pertaining thereto, was just simply a feat in Negro journalism that must be appreciated by the race. It was almost a history in itself, thus showing forth the brilliancy of its editors and publisher. Lucien once said: "An honorable emulation is the best incentive to acts of greatness." By those examples, great FREEMAN, we are encouraged. Haste thee onward to higher and nobler achievements, and may the financial end of thy patrons uphold your work forever.—Birmingham (Ala.) Wide-Awake.

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EDITOR FREEMAN:—I have just this moment laid your March 2d issue of the estimable FREEMAN aside, to pen you these lines in appreciation of your memorial to Hon Frederick Douglass. Mitchell, of the Planet, and Cooper, of the Colored American, together with the Boston Courant, are your seconds; but THE FREEMAN is on top, which is a credit both to your taste and skill. You don't know, nor can I tell you, what pleasure it gives me to read The Freeman way down in the Lone Star State. Faithfully yours,

J. FRANCIS ROBINSON,
Editor the Organizer, Ft. Worth, Tex.

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EDITOR FREEMAN:—Please accept my personal appreciation of your able tribute to the memory of Frederick Douglass, contained in your issue of the 2d, inst., and the very neat and interesting manner in which you have brought out the leading phases in the character of this truly great man. The Suburban Enterprise wishes you and your paper continued success in the great work which was nearest the great heart of Douglass, viz, the ultimate success of our race.

Very respectfully yours,
H. RUFUS WHITE, Editor.

FROM THE DARKNESS.

BY UNCLE 'RAS, LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, Pa.

To-day I heard my boy a-readin'
What he said some poet wrote,
I think his name was Russell Lowell,
An' de words I'll try to quote:

"Truth forever on the scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,
But that scaffold sways the future,
And behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the shadow
Keeping watch above His own."

"Truth forever on the scaffold"
Still remains America's shame,
Wrong and blood shed rule de nation,
Justice is an empty name.

It has ceased to be a wonder—
Men are killed by lawless mobs,
Just a few lines in de paper
Tell de heart no longer throbs.

Just another case of lynchin',
Just another nigger gone,
Thus is truth kept on de scaffold,
Wrong kept seated on de throne.

Human bein's in God's likeness
Roasted on a bed of fire,
While deir captors stand around dem
Shoutin' in deir fiendish ire.

Crimes dat put to shame de savage
Livin' in his hut of clay,
Deeds from which de wildest Indian
Horrified would turn away.

Wrongs dat never will be righted
'Til de Resurrection Morn,
When de white man and be black man
Stand befo' dat great white throne.

"Truth forever on the scaffold"
It is thus the world goes on;
Dar is none to do us justice,
None to look except in scorn.

'Cross de sea in far America
Our nation quickly did protest,
An' 'cause some white folks had been murdered
Turkey's king must give redress.

But within "Old Glory's" shadow,
In dis land of brave an' free,
Men are flayed alive an' roasted—
Dis de nation cannot see.

God of right an' Judge of justice,
Author of our liberty,
Purge dis great American nation
Of such inconsistency.

O, it shall not be forever
Dat de strong oppress de weak,
Dat de white man wrong de black man
And yet justice will not speak.

For thou Judge of all de nations,
Who doth hold all power an' might,
In whose presence angels worship,
Thou at least will do de right,

And de truth shall be triumphant,
For behind de dim unknown
Thou art standin' in de shadow
Keepin' watch above thy own.

AND WE REPEAT IT!

Because THE FREEMAN commenting upon the "open letter" to Bishop Turner from Rev. C. S. Smith, of Nashville, which appeared in our columns February 23rd, made the remark that, if what Dr. Smith said in his letter was true, "Bishop Turner should pray forgiveness from his God for his imbecility or his rascality," we have been favored with a communication from our esteemed friend, the Dr. professing much heat and indignation at our remark. The difference between THE FREEMAN and the Sunday-school Secretary lies here, we love Bishop Turner, as a prelate of ability, very much in earnest, minus a balance wheel, but we love the race more. In our duty to the race as we understand and appreciate our position as an editor, we look above the individual, whoever he may be, in our desire to serve the interest of the whole. In this matter referred to, either Dr. Smith was talking through his "stone-pipe," or worse, or Bishop Turner's whole connection with this ill starred idea of African migration is we repeat, either a long story of collusionary imbecility and rascality, which we shall not undertake to say, and for the same, only his God can extend forgiveness.

SILVER AND GOLD.

It is thought that the contest in 1896 will largely be upon the silver question. If it is so, it will like that of 1892, be a campaign of education. Then an international agreement may be reached under which silver may be rehabilitated upon lines of sound financial policy and bring content to all reasonable people.—Baltimore Sun.

The real friends of silver are those who are anxious to secure an international bimetallic agreement. The Democrats and Populists who demand the free and unlimited coinage of the metal at the 16 to 1 ratio, regardless of the attitude of foreign powers, would saddle upon the Government the burden of silver monometallism.—Troy (N. Y.) Times.

Unsatisfactory as the financial situation in the United States is, the outlook for improved conditions through international action was never better. Within the past two weeks events have occurred which fully justify the the opinion of those who predicted that the repeal of the Sherman act and the abandonment by the United States of the attempt to sustain the value of silver alone would force Europe to make advances toward joint action.—San Francisco Examiner.

A bimetallist is one who advocates bimetallism. According to the Standard Dictionary, the latest authority, bimetallism means "the concurrent use of both gold and silver as money at a fixed relative ratio established by law." That is what we have now, The new silverite party proposes to change the present system, and to establish silver monometallism, such as prevails in Mexico.—Louisville Courier Journal.

This is more than many of the box friends of silver asked, and it may well be doubted whether in 1896 the silver question will be anywhere near the point of of feverish controversy at which its partisans will shun all other issues and be willing to perform an exodus from all other parties in order to embrace the principles of the league.—Chicago Record (Ind.)

But, notwithstanding the imposing array of names of singers which the address bears, it will hardly commit the Democracy to the policy advocated. The Cleveland section of the party will beat the Bland section on the silver question in the convention of 1896, as it always did in the past, and as it usually has done in Congres.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat (Rep.),

These defeated Congressmen may as well be honest and announce themselves as simple silver monometallists, They are nothing else. Their proposed declaration in favor of bimetallism is a sham and a pretense, more disgraceful than the declarations generally adopted by political conventions, because everybody recognizes them to be mere attempts to dodge the straight issue, where as this one pretends to be honest, and it is not.—Kansas City Star (Ind.)

Before either national convention meets public discussion will have gone far toward absolutely setting the position each of them must take. It is not that the division is likely to be on strickly party lines, but neither party can decline to make a record on this subject that shall be unmistakable. Should both parties prove untrue to genuine bimetallism, then a new party might be excusable, but as matters now stand it would be the sacrifice of a great principle, the jeopardizing of a great cause in the interest of a few men anxious for personal notoriety.—Chicago Inter Ocean (Rep.).

There is a body of men among us who want gold monometallism and nothing else under any circumstances. The attitude of Senator Stewart and other silver Senators shows that there is another small body of men who want silver monomtallism and nothing else. Both these groups represent purely selfish interests. The one stands for unscrupulous creditors who want the purchasing power of money to increase while payments are awaiting maturity. The other stands for unscrupulous debtors who want money cheapened before paying their debts, and for the owners of silver mines in search of a market.—New York World (Dem.)

"TROUBLE IN DE CAMP."

The New York Morning Advertiser is out of patience with the vaporings of "political bosses" generally, and concludes a peppery editorial with the following thrust at "Me to" Platt:

We have heard altogether too much about the unimportant quarrels for spoils. Mr. Platt's effort to maintain himself has been dignified by the public press beyond its interest to anybody except Mr. Platt and his little coterie. Let us have discussion by Republican newspapers of matters of more vital importance than the quarrels of little and big bosses. The spoilsmen have been to the forefront long enough. Mayor Strong is wasting too much time in trying to satisfy the "leaders" of the factions. The great, honest, earnest body of Republicans in this city and State care nothing about the office brokerage business. All they ask for, all they demand, is that the battle for the principles of the grand old party shall go on. No self seekers and time servers are wanted. The bosses have had altogether too much to say of late.

It is time that the public had a rest!

A "CONCEITED MAN."

When a conceited man is short of arguments, he resorts to blackguardism. Mr. Fortune came South to orate on Jim Crow day at the Texas Fair. He was treated with some courtesy by the white managers of the concern, which, considering the occasion of his visit, was to be expected as a matter of course. But, apparently, it was enough to turn his head, perhaps and perhaps not because he was unused to such treatment, and he has since said some very foolish things about the South and Southern conditions His views were combatted. Subsequently, when he resorted to misrepresentation to wriggle out of his uncomfortable position, we reproduced what he had said and our comments on the same together. If it comforts him to call it impertinence, be it so. We have no apology to offer.—The Crusader.

This from a very reliable source is corroborative of Miss Wells' strictures upon certain passages in Mr. Fortune's speech at the Texas fair. What has "Tommy" to say; nothing, we presume, for the fact is, he's "pigeon-livered and lacks gall." He is a good-deal of a

"Cry a baby Crispus,
Suck your mammy's teat,"

fellow when you know him as he really is. In this case, the facts of the matter seem to be with editor Martinet, with the advantage in his favor, of being in many respects the most able of the two men.

ANENT the graceful compliment passed upon THE FREEMAN's Douglass Memorial Number, from the Rev. Francis Robinson, which appears elsewhere on this page we are reminded that our brilliant athletic friend, who, some one said rides a "whell" is also a devotee at the shrine of the art preservative as editor, publisher, manager and "devil" of The Organizer issued weekly to the delectation and profit of the good citizens of Fort Worth, Texas, and vicinity. The Rev. J. Francis Robinson, "I know him, Horatio; a fellow of infinite jest and most rare merit," has THE FREEMAN's most sincere wishes for the happiness of his friends and the confusion of his foes; may the Organizer continue to organize for lo these many years.

THE DEAD CONGRESS.

It entered life with a flourish and a great popular vote, it dies unmourned and execrated—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette (Rep.).

There has seldom been a more disappointing Congress than the Fifty-third, or one that missed and misused greater opportunities for public service and party prestige—New York World (Dem).

The Democrats proclaim that their Congress would give the country a degree of prosperity it had never enjoyed before, and that it would go down to history as the Great and Good Congress. It has ended its career and will be known as one of the most discredited ones in the annals of the country.—Chicago Tribune (Rep).

Two years ago the life of the Fifty-third Congress began under conditions which could hardly have been more favorable. Yesterday it ended in failure which could have hardly have been more complete. It began with the confidence of a great majority of the people of the United States. It ends with scarcely enough friends for pall-bearers.—Louisville Courier Journal. (Den)

The Congress which has just passed from the stage has surpassed the average. It has enacted at least one law of prime importance—the new tariff law. While it did not make so much progress in the direction of free trade in framing this law as had been expected by most people, yet it did not make decided progress. It made a distinct departure from the protective policy which had prevailed for thirty-three years.—Chicago Times Herald (Dem.).

Probably by its financial blunders will the Fifty-third Congress be chiefly remembered. The Lower House, elected on a platform calling for a tariff for revenue only, evolved a measure which threatened to create a Treasury deficit—a misfortune which was stayed off by surrenderings bodily to the Senate, whose amendments were almost avowedly in the interest of corporate monopolies. Then followed a dilly-dallying with the financial situation until a crisis was imminent, and finally, refusing to authorize a popular loan, Congress deliberately threw away $16,000,000 which might have been saved to the Treasury.—New York Herald (Ind.)

If the Fifty-third Congress had promptly notified the country that in view of the changed condition of industry there would be no tampering with the tariff during its two years of existence the effect would have been to restore confidence, revive trade and rekindle the fires of industry. The people would have been delighted with the good sense of the Democratic party But, instead of heeding the warning cries of events, the Congress now covered with fresh earth shut its eyes against the light of day, and went stumbling and staggering through its two years, making bad matters worse, until its burial is hailed with satisfaction by even its own party.—Chicago Inter Ocean (Rep)

In justice it must be said that many the difficulties which the Fifty-third Congress encountered were a legacy of extravagence and mischievous Republican rule. The McKinley bill and extravagant expenditures had brought the Treasury to the verge of bankruptcy when President Cleveland summoned Congress in extra session; the Sherman silver purchase law had distroyed financial confidence, and foreign nations were indulged in retalitory legislation against our war tariff policy, thus narrowing the market for our agricultural products. If the Republicans had remained in power the bankrupt Treasury, business depression and financial chaos would all have followed as logical results of Republican legislation—Philadelphia Times (Dem).

A BYSTANDER'S OPINION.

During the trial of the libel case of C. H. J. Taylor against William Calvin Chase, the Colored American gave them both the benefit of its silence. Now that a verdict has been rendered, we feel at liberty to say that the whole affair was a disgusting exhibition of washing dirty linen in public. We hope that the like will never appear again in Washington, or anywhere else. It does the race no good, but thank God the race is not responsible for the doing of these two individuals. —Colored American.

AN INDIANA BATTLE.

The fight in the Indiana State building the last night of the legislative session was not an edifying spectacle, yet there is never a time in the history of legislative bodies sparring for partisan advantage when the possibility of such a spectacle is not present. As to who were to blame, honors seem to be easy, although the truth is, the big Republican majority might have, avoided the disgraceful contretemps had it long ago, weeks before it did, passed and submitted the bill to the Governor, instead of waiting for the closing hours of the session. But their dallying does not excuse Governor Matthews from the charge of "peanut politics," in that he felt justified to indulge his constitutional privilege to such a time as would prevent a passage of the bill over his veto The general opinion is the Governor "spurred" himself.

HELL!

We go to press just as the first developments of the murdering of Negro screwmen on the levee at New Orleans are verified. An Associated Press Dispatch informed us that the general government would take no step to stop the massacre until it was demonstrated that the State and City authoritief were powerless; in the meantime, the State and City officials, what of them? Nothing! As well may they have been dead men as far as moving a finger in EARNEST. Sometimes it does seem as if God was dead, or in lieu, the devil has such a cinch on what should be the humanitarian spirit of the country, that it is no use complaining.

"ST PATRICK'S day in the morning!"

GONE to join Congress; the Indiana legislature.

So Grover has gone a duck hunting has he; well who can blame him?

IT takes a good deal of pleading to raise funds for an Indiana Battle(ship), but next to nothing to start an Indiana battle. See?

THE sons of Frederick Douglass have denied over their signatures the statement that they intended to contest the will of their father

ACCORDING to all accounts Mr. G. L. Richings is doing the Negro of America great service in England through his lectures and stereoptican views.

THE Future State, Kansas City, Mo. "a monthly journal of Negro progress" for February, was a commendable issue. Ernest D. Lynwood and Carrie A. Bannister are editors.

"THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR" for February and March issued by the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society has reached us. A fine half tone likeness of Wm. Lloyd Garrison, the "first immediate unconditional emancipationest," adorns its front page.

IT may be somewhat late, but we wish to congratulate the city of Philadelphia in that Mr. Chris Perry, gentleman, sir, and editor of that staid and respectable sheet, the Philadelphia Tribune is a member-elect of its city legislative body. Since the days of William Penn the councilmanic chambers of the Keystone metropolis has been graced by many members not the equal in any respect of Mr. Perry.

THE action of Governor McKinley, anent the men who did their duty in the late Washington C. H. mob, does credit to his head and heart. God grant that the reign of the mobocrats approaches an end, as we really believe it does, and that those members of the race, no matter how few, whose actions are contributory aids to the savage spirit that would hunt and hang a human being without legal justification and form, will grow scarcer and scarcer with each succeeding day.

THE beautiful supplement which found itself in our office in company with the Planet last week, was an eye-opener. We knew the Planet was an excellent sheet, and that Mr. Mitchell, its editor and proprietor, was a most rare specimen of the Negro-American editor, but our idea of his journalistic quarters and habitation was most imperfect. Will the Planet accept THE FREEMAN's earnest congratulations, and if possible let them be stretched over his bright-looking, "up-to-snuff" force, for affording the race so valuable an object lesson.

WE have overlooked any expression from Miss Wells following the death of MR. DOUGLASS, but we have no doubt her grief was poignant and sincere. Early in Miss Wells' noble pilgrimage Mr. Douglass accorded her the aid of his rich experience and the great indorsement of his mature, and ripened judgement, which, it is fair to believe, had much to do with spurring her on to those efforts in behalf of her race, which has served to make her name respected among the friends of human right everywhere.

WE have received a circular signed by a number of "Quaker City" citizens soliciting funds for the purpose of maintaining an organization to be known as "The United Colored Americans" of Philadelphia. Among the objects it is hoped by "The United Colored Americans" of Philadelphia to accomplish, is the placing of the Declaration of American Independence, a copy of the Constitution, the Emancipation Proclamation "in the hands of every colored American." We shan't contribute to this appeal, for the reason, being a Philadelphia organization, it wouldn't look the "proper caper" for an outsider to usurp the privileges that every loyal Philadelphian is no doubt jealous of.

MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XVI.

Our shop finally became the headquarters for the professional men, the doctors, lawyers and merchants of the village, except on Saturdays, and then I had a rule that no one was to loaf in the shop on that day. It was in this room where I made my first attempt to learn to read and write. My first copy was set by a colored preacher who came through there by the name of Anderson. I began to study, and my wife would teach me. Sometimes it would seem I could not make it and I would throw the book under the bed, but would get it out again, determined to learn. The "small boy" bothered me considerable. One evening about eight o'clock I was working away, when a ring-leader with about 100 boys behind him formed into a kind of a V shape and commenced marching into the shop, filling it up. I felt that something had to be done or these boys would wreck my chances in Greenfield. I took hold of the leader and shouted in his ears if he ever attempted to come in there again I would break him in pieces; the boys marched out and I had no more trouble with them.

I went into the cigar business and bought by the 1,000, and sold more than any other place in town. I also took steps to own a piece of property—a house and lot. The most exciting time I ever saw in that town was the time that

GEORGE L. KNOX.

Seymour and Blair run for president against Grant and Wilson. On Saturday the Democrats had a big rally and it was estimated there were 25,000 people in town. I went into my shop at six in the morning and never came out any more until five in the evening.

We established a school in our town, our first teacher being a man by the name of Bailey. I would get my lessons and go down and recite, I would work away, laying my book on the stand to study it. First one and then another would come in and instruct me how to read and write. The school went on very nicely. In '70 and '71 we organized an M. E. church and secured a man to preach for us by the name of James. Before this we had a Sabbath school superintendent, a man by the name of Snow. He was an Englishman and taught us to read in Sabbath school. The colored people thought a great deal of the old man. He had a good deal of opposition. He was one of those men who did not care what was said about him. When Teacher Bailey had taught two terms he was succeeded by a man named Gillum who boarded at our house, so each night I would recite him my lessons.

The campaign came on and Mr. Hayes was elected. This time I began to take a hand in politics myself and began to try to make speeches. I organized a literary society and this gave me a start in speaking. I was superintendent of a Sabbath school and three white boys volunteered to take a part in the Christmas exercises. All but one backed out; his name was Sparks. He was a poor boy, but he had an education. His father had been rich but was broken up; like many boys he was somewhat "wild" at times. I told him that for standing by me in the Christmas entertainment that I would always stand by him. I urged him to be elected superintendent for the Christian church Sabbath school and promised if he would make the race and keep straight I would get him elected city clerk.

This was in January and the election came on in the spring. I secured him his nomination and he was elected. After he was elected there was no one to go his bond but Nelson Bradley the banker and myself. He filled that term out and was re-elected again. Then I told him that I would secure his nomination for mayor of the city. That term I was instrumental in having several of the streets improved, graded and graveled. The Hancock Democrat came out and charged that I was running the city government and by my influence there was too much extravagance in the way of improving the streets. Mr. Sparks served out his term. I told him that I would secure his nomination and see that he was elected again. The Democratic paper came out and charged that I was running the Republican party and the city, and that Mr. Sparks was nominated, but he was only a figure-head. The election came on and on the day of the election I went to all the workers and told them what they must do to meet success. The Democrats persuaded the citizens to bring out a ticket in opposition to the Republican ticket. That ticket was to be lead by Capt. R. A. Riley the father of the Hoosier poet, James Whitcomb Riley. He and I were very warm personal friends. They thought if they could get him out that would bring about the defeat of my man.

I saw it was a Democratic trick to defeat the straightout Republican ticket. So they put out a straightout Democratic ticket headed by Israel Polson, a wealthy lawyer worth about $30,000 or $40,000. They thought by this means they would bring defeat sure. This aroused all the Republican workers in the city and we came together and had a council. It was ordered that every man should go out to work on election day. We were to make no noise and to work quietly and about noon we calculated we would have them defeated. About noon they came running to me, wanting to bet $50.00 or $100.00 that we would be defeated. I had our majority figured out from fifty to seventy-five. My man was elected by seventy-five majority. By this time Mr. Sparks had accumulated some property and had made some money and had gotten into pretty good shape, and marrying a banker's daughter he became very prominent in local politics.

I moved away from the city in '84, but happened back there about the time he received the nomination again. He sought my advice about it before he was nominated. I told him that in my opinion and in my judgment that if he was nominated he would be defeated. He asked me if I could not help him out and I told him not, being a resident of the city, it would not be proper for me to take any hand in their politics. This took place in '85. He was defeated and the Republicans went out of power and were out for many years. To go back—my first step in politics in Greenfield was brought without my seeking. While in the city of Indianapolis my friends made me candidate for the nomination as councilman of my ward. We only had four colored votes in the ward and I had to depend entirely on the white votes of the ward. I was nominated by one majority, but some of the Republicans thought that it would not do for a colored man to be nominated so they opened the polls again and called for more votes They got two more votes and thus I was defeated. A white man by the name of John Spangle was declared the nominee. After the election, all the county officers, all Democrats, came over as a committee to wait on me and to see how I was feeling. They said: "Now Knox, the Republican party, while it wants you to vote for them, do not want you to hold office, and we would advise you to come over to the Democratic party." I informed them that the gentlemen on the election board did not constitute the Republican party nor its principals. That I was a Republican from principal and not for revenue and therefore I would have to decline their invitation. Among the number was Ephraim Marsh the county clerk. That was in 1879. I had been chosen as delegate from the State of Indiana to the National Colored Convention.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Will Practice Law.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Ed Smith and Oliver Dickson were in the city last week, the guests of Mr. John Black. The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Carter is sick. Misses Maude Winslow and Mabel Parker are better Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marshall left last Tuesday for Indianapolis, where they will reside in the future. Mrs. George Hodge is very ill at her home on Linden avenue. The social given at the A. M. E. church last Monday night was well attended. Mrs. Joe Cranshaw is very sick. Harry Russell has recovered. Mr. L C. Jones is preparing to practice law at either Richmond or Indianapolis. He is a graduate of the Ann Arbor law school. Mrs Ben Kellum is better. An affidavit for the holding of a lunacy commission upon Andrew Gibson has been filed before 'Squire Laing.

Social and Church Affairs.

Newport, Ark., Special.

A missionary sermon was preached Sunday evening at St. Paul's A. M. E Church by Rev. T. S. Johnson. Mrs. Lizzie Strong is sick. Rev. Jackson, presiding elder of the M. E. Church of this district, is in the city. Quint Webster and Ralph Woods are sick. The Relief Society met last Monday at the residence of Susan West. Brownie Robinson died Saturday morning at 5 o'clock. The remains were interred in the Society graveyard. Protracted meeting is being held at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church. A lecture was given at the M. E. Church Monday night by Rev. Jackson.

The Odd Fellows' Sermon.

Clayton, Ark., Special.

Mrs. Anna King has returned from Oglethorpe, Ga. The Odd Fellows celebrated their anniversary last Sunday at the A. M. Church. The sermon was preached by Rev. D. Edmonson, of Eufaula. Mr. Joe Dill was master ter of ceremonies. Messrs. Will Reaves, Joe Dill, Frank White and Jake Thompson spent last Sunday at Eufaula. Mr. Stratton Foster has returned after a pleasant visit to his old home at Eufaula. Rev. Robert T. Schell preached at Sardis Baptist Church on the 3d, The Brothers' and Sisters' Benevolent Society had their anniversary sermon preached at the Baptist church on the 6th by Rev. William Blake. Buy The Freeman from W. H. Wallace. Copies on sale every Saturday.

Resolution of Condolence.

Texarkana, Ark., Special.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Providence to take from our midst our most distinguished citizen, Hon. Frederick Douglass; and

WHEREAS, The life of the deceased has been spent in the interest of his race; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Young People's Progressive Club of Texarkana, Ark., that we sincerely deplore the loss sustained by the death of this great hero, and

RESOLVED, That the name of the Young People's Progressive Club be changed to "The Douglass Educational Club," of Texarkana, Ark.

Gracefully Entertained.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

Miss Georgia Stevenson has returned home. Mrs Black passed through on her way to Chicago, Ill. Dr. J. Furgerson has about 35 patients. Mrs. Susie Cott was in Anderson this week Miss Lizzie Hoyle will leave for the South soon. John Spain left for the East last week Thomas Fossett will be in Indianapolis soon. Jim Balse was robbed of $150 worth of clothing last week. Rev. D. R. Bass of Dark county, Ohio, is helping Rev. C. P. Cook pastor of the Westlake Methodist church. Rev. H. E. Stuart is still preaching at the Cottats. Dr. Rice of Cincinnati will be in the city soon. John Wallace has returned from New York. Miss Georgia Stevenson and J. Morin, Miss Lizzie Rogister and C J. Furgerson were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adams last Wednesday night. The A. M. E. church has started its literary again; Sherman Lamkins president. C. J. Furgerson will spend Sunday in Richmond. Walter Ellis is in the city from Indianapolis. Mrs. Mary Gilmore was in Indianapolis last week. Miss Lou Woods is in Clinton this week.

ON THE SICK LIST.

Mrs. Martha Boyer, Miss Pearl Cook, Rev. J. Broyles, Miss Becka Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly's baby, Ivory, Mrs E. Freeman, Miss Mary Shoecraft, Mr. and Mrs. Gateskill, Mrs. E. Downs Miss M. Davis, Mrs. Dora Patterson, Miss Lottie Washington, Mrs F. Fry, S. Frazier, Miss Anna Adams, Mrs. Lizzie Meamer, Sam Robbins, Master Johnnie White. Mrs. J. Bales, Miss Nora Morin. The young people are coming to the front.

Tribute to the Early Dead—Notes.

Lockland, O., Special,

Quite a number of persons attended the social under the auspices of the Bethel A. M. E. Christian Endeavor last Thursday night. Dr. C. G. Grant is here. Festivals at Maple Street and Baptist churches last Saturday night. Concert at Bethel A. M. E. church recently. The Maple Street Endeavor held a pleasant social at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts Thursday night. Mrs. Rebecca Williams is sick. Thos Hunt, of Denton Place, O, married Miss Fannie Duskin on the 6th. Miss Frances Cragg, of Toledo, was circulating among her friends Sunday Mrs. Allen Dudley gave a party in honor of her daughter's birthday, last Saturday. Quite a number were present. Memorial services were held at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday in honor of Miss Lillian Renfro, a deceased member. There has been organized a Blue Ribbon Literary club here. Miss Wallace died at 4:30 a. m. Sunday morning.

IN MEMORIAM OF LILY MAY RENFRO

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to summon from our midst to eternal rest Miss Lily May Renfro, and

WHEREAS, The earthly ties rent in twain by the separation from her parents, sister and brother, have left them in sorrow, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Sunday school has lost an earnest, active chistian teacher; the church a devoted member and the society a companion of the highest social and moral purity.

Resolved, That while we are grieved by the loss of such desirable companionship, we do not forget to extend our most hearty and sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded in the Sunday school record, and a copy be sent to the family.

This lovely bud, so young and fair,
Called home by earthly doom;
Just came to show how sweet a flower
In Paradise would bloom.

Ere sin could harm or sorrow fade,
Death came with friendly care;
The opening bud to heaven conveyed,
And bade it blossom there.

Committee: { MRS. MARIA GRAY, WILLIAM N. JOHNSON, LAURA M. JOHNSON,

Honoring Douglass.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.

At the meeting held at Allen Chapel on the 7th, to pay tribute to the Hon. Frederick Douglass, Rev. H. B. Parks presided, and Bishop Handy was among the visitor. The greatest applause of the evening was when Miss Ida B. Wells was referred to by Mr. N. C. Crews. The following resolutions were read and adopted by unanimous vote:

WHEREAS, The unexpected dispensation of Divine Providence has called from labor to reward our fellow countryman and leader, Frederick Douglass, a citizen of this republic not only, but of the world, and one of the epoch makers of this country; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in his death the world has lost one of its most potent factors in the problem of civilization, humanity an eminent advocate, the United States a great reformer, the question of woman's suffrage an able defender, the cause of liberty every where a fearless champion, and the colored race of America its most illustrious representative; be it

RESOLVED, That we congratulate the country that his life was spared to see the fruition of his early hopes of a liberatad and enfranchised race fully realized, and that the times are big with promise that the genius of emancipation shall hold its sceptre over every land and clime.

RESOLVED, That we commend his noble example of self-independence, courage, energy and integrity to the youth of the land; that they study him as a model and emulate his many virtues.

RESOLVED, that in the absence of correct information as to the exact date of his birth, we recommend that the 20th day of February be celebrated by the colored people of this country in the present and coming generations as the anniversary of his birth.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the bereaved family of the deceased, and also to the press for publication.

JOHN T ROBINSON,
L. G BOLDEN,
JOHN RONE, JR.,
B. B FRANCIS,
C. W. PORTER,
REV. J. H. PLUMER,
JOHN T. MORELAND,
G. W. TEETERS.

Prof. H. M. Griffin, of the Lincoln High School, offered in behalf of the colored school children in the United States, that they be asked to contribute one cent each towards the erection of a bronze statue in one of the parks at Washington, D. C., in memory of the Hon. Frederick Douglass.

A Series of Meetings.

Jeffersonville and S. Charleston, O., Special.

Rev. Dr. Moten has been conducting a series of Christian meetings at South Charleston, Ohio, from February 16th to March 3rd, during said time twenty or more were converted. The white and colored citizens of earliest settlement of our city, declare they have never saw such a religiously superb and superfine time since it has been a town. He closed out there on March 3rd, and went to Jeffersonville, Lee Chapel. Two souls were converted to God after the closing of the meetings, ere the congregation dispersed. He will remain at Lee Chapel until March 17th. He visited Washington C. H. Ohio, and addressed the High School there, also visited South Charleston and preached Wednesday evening and received several into the church. Sacremental sermon next Sunday 3 o'clock by Rev. Dr. Moten, pastor Lee Chapel. Lord's Supper subsequently.

Three Children Badly Hurt.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

Mrs. Chas. Jones died March the 6th. A husband and three small children survive. Three colored children of the Moor family, East Decatur, were hurt badly a few evenings ago by the explosion of dynamite. Madames Cora Harris and Fannie McGee are much better. Master Daird Hall, of Central Tenn., continues to grow in popularity with his teachers also Vivian Cashin of State Normal, Montgomery. Little Lillian Cashin is still in Florida. Madames Mary Lockbeart and Mary Sykes have joined St Paul church. The selection read to the Oddfellows Sunday per Miss J. L. Carpenter was the master piece of the celebration, Mr. W. C. H. Armstrong and Mrs. G. A. Perkins will marry Thursday night B. W. Lemons, J. J. Sykes and W. H. Harris are our popular groceryman. The S. S. Board and teachers meeting met at the residence of Mrs. V. M. Moor last Monday night. St. Paul S. S. is making final preparations for Easter. Beaulah Lodge, I. O I. No. 52, is preparing for a spiritual harvest for Easter. Messrs. Ben. Hayes, D. L. Miller, D. Hall and W. B. Byumn are popular barbers of this city. Rev. A. Jordan passed through this city Friday with his family to Northern Alabama. Mrs. A. Bridgeforth is quite sick. Rev. W. F. Smith will preach to the young people next Sunday night.

The U. B. F's. are fast increasing in number, Misses Dora Higgins and Josie Vassar, of Athens, were in the city Saturday, The citizens of this vicinity are preparing for memorial services of the deceased Hon. Frederick Douglass. Mr. Wm. Lett and Miss Calton attended services at St. Paul church Sunday night. Sunday evening Rev. W. F. Smith preached a wonderful sermon at St. Paul church to a large congregation.

Touching Resolutions.

Calvert, Tex., Special.

The citizens of Calvert adopted the following resolutions on the death of Frederick Douglass:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to take from our midst our friend, father, advocate, orator and champion of liberty, the renowned and beloved Frederick Douglass,

RESOLVED, That we bow in humble submission to the Almighty Father who has graciously spared to us the long and inestimable services of one of his most illustrious heirs of the celestial kingdom, and that we patiently bear the loss, that he may reap the glorious harvest of a long and well-spent life.

RESOLVED, That we recognize in his demise the loss of one whose exemplary life under the most trying ordeals, sacrificing devotion to suffering humanity and burning eloquence for human liberty will kindle the flames of patriotic zeal in the hearts of our people throughout all generations.

RESOLVED, Further, that in his transition the wife loses a noble and devoted husband, the children a kind and sympathetic father, and his race and country a most illustrious patriot and citizen; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we hereby extend to his bereaved family our most profound sympathy in this their hour of deepest sorrow. Well may we say in the language of Buell:

Our Douglass is gone and we are alone,
'Tis a debt which all mortals must pay;
Yet of all the sorrows we ve felt in our life,
We never knew grief 'till to-day.

As the sun went down 'neath the hill-tops,
And the shadows stole in o'er our heads,
So the light of his life and hours went out,
And left us forlorn with our dead.

Near four score years he walked as our guide,
Our leaning staff all the way;
But the angel of death has taken our pride,
So what can we do but pray?

Bless thou us, Lord, in the kingdom above,
Whence thy grace so freely is given;
So long we have journeyed together in life,
Receive us together in heaven.

Farewell! the leaf-strewn earth enfolds
Our stay, our pride, our hopes, our fears,
And autumn's golden sun beholds
A nation bowed, a world in tears.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Texas Independent, Indianapolis Freeman, Baptist Herald and the Illuminator.

DR. E. A. DURHAM,
MRS R. L. SCOTT,
J. W TALLEY,
W. R. PATTERSON,
Committee.

EULOGY

On the Late Hon. Frederick Douglass, by John Langston Gillard, Pendleton, W. Va.

The corner-stone, the foundation from which the Negro had his start in America, is no more. Every institution or school of the Afro-American race, and every student, should mourn the loss of Frederick Douglass. As the nation holds in memory the first President of America, so should we hold in memory the Hon. Frederick Douglass. Some may say he had some bad qualities, or his path as a light was a little dim. That might be, but his good qualities hid all the bad. No man is perfect. But many have had eulogies recited over them who did not deserve them. Not so with Frederick Douglass. Look upon that light of his career that will shine as long as the world stands. He, Douglass, was the stepping stone to a flight of stairs, and upon that first step he has raised others, until it would take a little time to count them, and from the bottom stone he has pulled out and gone to the top, to pull up the rest. So shall his life stand as an incentive to others.

His voice shall no longer ring in the halls of education, nor in the assembly of educated men, but his life will be a stepping stone to all the rest of his race. We, the young people of the race, should use our time here as he did. He had not the advantage of the school room as we have, but nevertheless he became the statesman and the orator. To guide our lives by his, some of us may be able to leave foot prints on the sand of time. The death of Douglass came to men as a shock He started his education and learned like a man that is about to run the gauntlet. He ran the risk of life. He started in the darkest days of slavery, and he died one of America's greatest heros. Am I saying too much? No! Enough can't be said The grand scheme of American institutions never stood for a higher aim than as reflected forth in the life of Frederick Douglass As I have said above, his education began in slavery, but it ended sounding the most exalted notes of liberty for men and thought. We mourn the life of our exalted hero because it was like a running fountain, the water that came from the spout fell in drops all around, to refresh the weary traveler.

Earth has had no greater loss, nor heaven a greater gain.

"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

Concert and Tableaux.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special,

The Quartette Club of this city gave a concert and tableaux scenes at Lewiston on the 6th. It was a success. Miss M. J. of Ashland avenue returned home Saturday the 9th, after a two week's visit with friends in the Lock City. The Jubilee Club of the other side of the river went to Chippawa last week and sang to a large audience. We have had a large number of sick the past two weeks; your correspondent was included. S.

BY SPEECH AND RESOLUTION.

Douglass Honored—Society and Church Events—Personals.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Much sickness at this point. Those who are very low are John Boon and Samuel Crumble. Visitors: Annie Tinsly of Cairo, Parthenia Dixon of Paducah, Wash Watts of Fulton, Ky. Rev. S. Hutchinson has returned to Murfreesboro, Tenn. A pound party was tendered Rev. B. W. Stewart last week. The Freewill church newly organized at Shady Grove a few miles above Brooklyn is certainly alive. Collections last Sunday morning $5.00; evening $4.00. The Brooklyn school closed Monday of last week. A concert was given in event of the same to a crowded house, there being only standing room. The young cornet band of Metropolis furnished music for the occasion. D. C. Hughes was tendered the position to teach the next term by the board of directors.

Memorial exercises of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass was held at the A. M. E. church which was beautifully decorated with buntings. Music by the Baptist and M. E. choirs. Misses Kempie Robinson and Mabel Lyons organists. J. L. Turnbo presided; prayer by Rev. Stewart; paper by Mrs. Lena Phillips; oration, G. W. Long; paper, Miss Anna Turnbo, also Miss Bertha Benberry. Addresses were made by ex-Judge B. O. Jones, E. C. Phillips, Major E. P. Curtis, Elder S. Hutchinson; closing remarks by Elder Stewart. The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Divine Ruler of the universe to call from the walks of men the Hon. Frederick Douglass, whose patriotic utterances and untiring zeal for equal rights have won for him a place in the hearts of a grateful people;

WHEREAS, By the life of Mr. Douglass the possible achievements of his race are fully demonstrated and their ultimate conditions vindicated; therefore be it

Resolved, That the colored citizens of Metropolis here assembled recognize in the dramatic career and the ennobling influence of Hon. Frederick Douglass, a high example of excellence, the chief among the illustrious champions of civil liberty and a fit companion of the men and women whose lives are intimately associated with American History;

Resolved, That we fully appreciate his work, his exemplary life, his unimpeachable integrity, his untiring devotion for his people and his high sense of justice and love for all;

Resolved, That in no way can we better approve the services of our most distinguished leader than by so appropriating the lesson of his life that it may give to us all a higher sense of the beautiful in human nature, and that it may make us more conscious that the success of life are within reach of all whose guiding principles are loyalty, industry and self-respect.

Resolved, That from our own sorrowing hearts we tender our sympathy to the bereaved family;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be published in our city papers and The Freeman.

Com. on Reso'ns, { J. H. PATTON, A. P. SMITH, L. C. ANDERSON.

Social and Other Events.

Alton, Ill., Special.

Miss Ophelia Drew visited St. Louis last week. Mrs. Hunter, Kelley, Banard, and McCroskey, were the guests at the Dorsey-Magee wedding last week. Mrs. H. Coats was called home by the death of her father, Mr. Cyrus Howard accompanied her sister, Mrs. T. Coats, of Indiana, who is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carter. Mr. Evans, who was crushed by the cars Thursday evening and died soon after, was taken to his home in Maryland, Mo., for burial. A party of ladies and gentlemen visited the home of Mrs. Jackson Tuesday evening. A most enjoyable time was had. Miss Wright was the guest of Mrs. Emery last week. The following young ladies of Alton are wearing A. H. S., pins, which means Alton High-School Misses M. Hunter, Z. Knight, M. Pitts, A. Russell, R. Crawford, S. Hunter, A. Jackson, C Banard, Z. Foxx, and Mr. Guy Chambers:

Mr. Kelly was tripped by a banana pealing and received a severe sprain Saturday. Mr. Albert Denison is very ill at his home, Bell Avenue. The Misses Osbeys entertained a number of young friends at dinner last week. Rev. Day's wife of upper Alton, last Thursday evening left the church and going across the street to a friends stated that she was ill and wished to lie down for a moment. She layed down and death came immediately. She was buried from the A. M. E. church Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hunter attended the Oddfellow's annual sermon at St. Louis on last Sunday. Mr. Hunter is a prominent member of the order. The U. B. F's. are making arrangements for their annual sermon to be held the first Sunday after Easter. The order will make a grand display.

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E. C. MCCORMICK,
Pass. Traffic Manager,
Big Four Route, Cincinnati, O.

Society Flashes.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Eli McKinney is here. Misses Mamie J. and Ella Bomar of Shelbyville have returned home. The banquet given by the A. M. E. church was a success. Mrs. Mary Lee Nelson of Haley Station attended. A C. Phillips is devoted to Sunday school. Messrs. H. F. White and James Stokes were the guests of Amos Arnold Sunday last. Mrs. Sophia Bomar and Mrs. Bettie Stokes are sick. Lewis Blackman is better. Mrs Susie Maupins has a very sick baby. R. P. Purdy of Shelbyville was in town. Mrs. Martha Cannon is sick.

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GOOD ADVICE TO THE RACE.

The "Race Problem" a Chimera —There's no Such Thing.

A Negro State Rather Than Emigration— Discipline in the Home—What it Should be.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Allow me the space in your columns to say what I think to be right, not for notoriety, but the good of the race. Speaking of the Negro problem, in my judgement it has been solved some time ago. White men are educated, so is the Negro; white men are elected to Congress, so is the Negro; white men fills governorships, so does the Negro; white men have filled the position as Register of the U. S. Treasurer, so has the Negro; white men wear the title of Judge, Colonel, Major, Captain, so does the Negro; white men are ordained Bishops, so is the Negro; white men are doctors, sailors, engineers, mechanics, electricians, farmers, commit suicide, have their family prayers, like to rule, does some good things, does some mean things, went on the battle field to fight for their country, helped to make laws, pay taxes, love their country, are bound to stay here, love the law, are loyal citizens, are appointed ministers to foreign countries, all of which is true also of the Negro. Now where is the problem, tell me?

If we could only see in ourselves what the whites see in us, it would not be long before we would reach the highest standard of civilization. There is something remarkable in us, if it were not so, we would not be chided, cuffed and lynched so often. All of this cruel treatment of us is for our good in the future, and shows there is something in us great. The day will come when we will rejoice. Now we have tried many ways in order to show and prove that we are men, now let us try this way, and I venture to say that we will have success.

Drop emigration, quit all these political parties, organize a solid Negro party, have National, State and County committees of our own, and wherever we are the balance of power in our votes, and whatever party we can get the most out of for the benefit of our race in that place, then pull for that ticket, regardless of their politics. This writing is plain and those Freeman readers who have but little learning can understand it.

I love my race, and if I never see them where I want to, I hope my children will. I say again, kill emigration, we need all the race here. We are scattered too much in this, our country; come let us reason together, live together and die together. We must not be prejudiced to each other, if you are guilty of that, be guilty no more. The quicker we come together the better. Don't tattle to white men about one another, for they think the less of you, though they won't tell you so, and will watch you closer than the one you tattled on.

I also would like to see all of our bishops and preachers get a written copy of the Constitution of the states and towns in which they work, and have a special night to call their members together, and teach the same to them until they shall have learned it well; the laws of the cities and towns anyhow, we should know these things. We have property, money, fine houses, horses, buggies, fine clothes, education, now let us have manly, self-respect, then we will know well how to respect others. Come let us reason together.

We have the muscle and are good tillers of the earth, and we understand how to use the plow and hoe, and furthermore, we love it, and we know that the white man admires our labor; let them give or lease us enough land in the South and give us full control of territory where corn and cotton will grow, and let us have our own governors and such officials which go to make up a state, but be under the supervision of the United States, have over us only one white man, the President. The whites claim that they want us and can't do without us. Let them fix some way that we can help them and better our condition. If we can get to ourselves they can't so easily find a Negro to lynch, and perhaps that will put a stop to the smutting of faces.

Discipline is absolutely necessary to children, and if they do not receive it from their parents, they will go through life handicapped, crippled. Nothing can take the place of home training. The discipline of school, of college, of business, of adversity even, will not, and without it there will be a lack, a deficiency, a defect, which nothing will have the power to remove. Despite this fact, which all of us who have grown to manhood or woman, can witness to, home training is a thing lamentably, almost universally neglected. In some homes there is no discipline whatever; you discover this the moment you enter them. The children's wills are law; they do as they want to. The only time an attempt is made to compell them to mind is when visitors are present, and then what a scene there is! The miracle of miracles almost to me is, how such children turn out so well as they sometimes do. In other homes there is a discipline, but it is of the most spasmodic and capricious sort. It goes by fits and starts.

It is intermittant, one day strict, the next lenient; one hour it consists in scoulding, the next in petting; one moment in flogging, the next in caressing. It is worse than no discipline at all, for it has no basis or standard, save the mood of temper of the parent. There is still another kind of discipline exercised in our homes. This might be described as conflicting discipline. The father takes one mode and the mother another; one says yes, and the other no, and the child is made a sort of pendulum that oscilates between the two wills. If the pendulum could assume a position of rest half way between the two extremes, it would not be so bad, but generally one pushes him from this side, and the other from that, till the child is kept in a state of perpetual trepidation and uncertainty. When will parents learn that the training of their children is a duty for which they will have to give a strict account at the last day, and if they will not care for them, and seek to train and develop and equip them, they should not bring them into the world?

These, then, are the greatest evils now threatening the homes of this municipality, decadence of the home life, deterioration of the family relation, entrance of a spirit of secularity, neglect of parental discipline. My friends, train your children and train them well.

I would like to see the same spirit exist in our people as existed in slavery. Why, in every Southern state the Negro's mind was the same, when ever by chance they met, the first thing they would say, "there is a better time coming for us," and then these words were used, "Continue to pray my brother or sister, for I see the light not far off." Sure enough, the light did come in 1863. And those Negroes back in the dark days, who did more for our freedom than any one else, are less looked upon by the generations who come after them. I hope the younger generation will not let their education puff them up so as to not recognize the older class when they have the opportunity, for if you slight either one of these, you go back on those who was the cause of your freedom.

When you pass an old man or woman on the streets and they ask you for a piece of tobacco or a nickle, don't tell them that you pay taxes on poor houses and hospitals for all such as you, go out there and you can get tobacco, etc Friends, you don't know how far such words go into the hearts of the old folks; they think back at once what they went through for your freedom, and then to think at this age our young men would speak so short and disrespectful to them. Be careful how you treat older men and women, for in them wisdom and advice lay, in spite of all your education. Let some of our leading men call a Negro National meeting, and in a new light discuss our future living.

In conclusion, we regret to hear of the death of Hon. Frederick Douglass. His work for his race was a great one, and I am prone to say that we will not have a man of our race who is going to do a greater work for the race than he. I imagine that our country (America) is at present the tower of Babel, nobody understands each other. Now Negroes during this misunderstanding of others, is your time to get together and catch the good that falls. Come, let us reason together, for right reason is stronger than force.

LOUIS K. SINTON.

Macon, Georgia.

Action of Branch Normal College.

WHEREAS, Providence has removed from this world to that of peace and rest, Hon. Frederick Douglass of Washington, D. C., we, the students of the Branch Normal College, not insensible to the loss suffered by his family, race and nation, wish to sincerely condole the same; and,

WHEREAS, In his noble character, we recognize, appreciate and consider worthy of imitation, a rare unity of true qualities of greatness.

Resolved, That we set a part a day on which to commemorate his life and actions

Resolved, That as a step towards the perpetuation of his memory, we appropriate the sum of $5 00 to begin the erection of a monument to the honor of this great and good man; and further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased and to The Freeman of Indianapolis, Ind.

T. C. GREENE, Chairman.
MISS SARAH MURPHY, Secretary.
Pine Bluff, Ark.

Preparing for Planting.

Dardanelle, Ark., Special.

Farmers are busily engaged in preparing for their planting. U. S. Murrell, of Pope county, visited our city last week. J. W. Davis has moved his family into the house formerly owned by T. H. Batson. J. A. Anderson, proprietor of the Citizen's barber shop. is doing a splendid business. Our town is prohibition, the citizens are quiet and civil. Those conflicts which occur in many places between the two races, does not occur with us. Our citizens realize that the privilege of being a citizen involves a duty, and that duty is to assist in maintaining law and order. There are several churches here, three of which are colored. Two public schools taught by nine teachers. Our school is progressing nicely with an enrollment of ninety-eight. Miss Brown is teacher of room 2. Our school board is composed of six members. Prof. L. B, Reynolds, County Examiner, has been very sick for three weeks. The writer visited the Young Peoples Union recently and was agreeably surprised at the interest manifested. A Literary society has been organized at the A. M. E church, with the writer as president; Messrs. W. D. Johnson and J. W. Davis as counsels. Elder Martin (white) preached for us last Sunday night. Mr. Rose, of Lenapah, I. T., visited our school and expressed himself as being favorably impressed with its working. Grant S. Neal, The Freeman hustler, was circulating among Dardenelle friends recently.

Literary Notes.

"The Beautiful Models of Paris,' in the March Cosmopolitan, satisfy a long felt curiosity in regard to the women who have been posing for the world's famous paintings. The Cosmopolitan has carefully gathered a collection of the most famous of these portraits and used them to illustrate an interesting article by a distinguished French critic, Fr Thiebault Sisson. Nor does the beauty of the Originals fall short of the ideal on the painter's canvas. In the same number is a delightful article about the famed seagirt isle, for so many centuries a fortress and prison—Mont-Saint-Michel. "Pearl Diving and Its Perils," by an English naval officer, written from personal experience, is perhaps the most thrilling tale of exploration of the ocean's depths ever put on paper. The fiction of this number is unusually entertaining.

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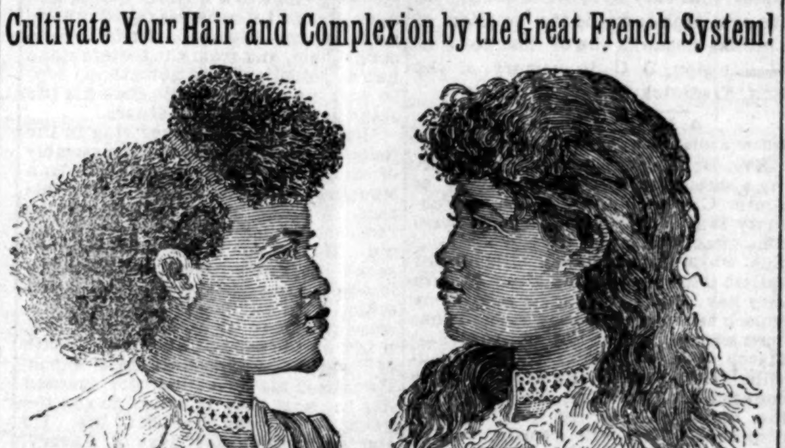

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SPEECHES

And Resolutions in Honor of Frederick Douglass.

Springfield, Mo., Special.

At a meeting called in honor of the memory of Frederick Douglass the following program was rendered:

Music by Gipson Chapel choir; reading scripture, Rev. B. McCain; invocation, Rev. Dortch; music by Benton Ave. A. M. E. choir; address of welcome, Rev. A. C. Terrell; Frederick Douglass, H. A. Gipson; music by Pitt's Chapel M. E. choir; "Douglass' Escape from Slavery," Dr. W. C. Scales; "Douglass as an Orator," S. H. Randolph; "Douglass' Relation to John Brown's Raid," Rev. Dortch; music, Washington avenue Baptist choir; "Douglass as an Editor and Diplomat," B. F. Adams; "Douglass, Marshall of D. C," A. A. Callaway; "Douglass in History," Thos. Campbell; "Douglass, a Statesman," Alf Adams; music by Benton avenue A. M. E choir; resolutions; music by Pitts Chapel M. E. choir; announcements; music, Washington avenue Baptist choir; doxology by Gipson Chapel.

The speeches were good and every phaze of the life and character of the great man were touched upon and made to stand out in bold relief. Rev. H. A. Gipson said: "Douglass was a great man. He was not born great, neither was greatness thrust upon him, but God furnished him the material and give him the opportunity, and he made himself great. Douglass was the greatest man in American history, in that he rose to equal height with the greatest, while starting from a much lower depth. The elements of greatness was in the man—namely a double portion of common sense, the power of observation, an inborn love of liberty, unselfishness, a forgiving spirit, the sense of justice and right; he was great, in that like Samson he broke the hands that bound him and made himself a free man. Like David he took his pebbles gathered from the brook of his newly acquired liberty, went forth and slew the giant—slavery—which defied the resources of American government, and scorned the contempt of the civilized world; he was great when he stood before Lincoln, asking that the Negro might be enlisted to fight for his own freedom and the defence of the country, when he stood before Lincoln pleadeng for the Emancipation Proclamation. Great in all things, at all times, and greater now than then."

Among the resolutions passed were the following:

Resolved, That we, the colored people of Springfield, Mo., do here and now pledge ourselves to contribute liberally to a fund for the erecting a monument to the great man's honor, when ever the proper steps are put forward.

The first verse of "John Brown's body lies molding in the grave," was song by the large audience, changing the name each time in the following order: John Brown, Garrison, Charles Sumner, General Grant, Abe Lincoln, Frederick Douglass. Frederick Douglass spoke here a little over a year ago.

Represented the Ida B. Wells Club.

Leadville, Col., Special.

We have no words to express our regret at the death of the Hon. Frederick Douglass, and we bespeak the sentiment of all intelligent Negroes when we say that the greatest Afro-American of this age has fallen. Peace to his ashes. Mrs. Ellen Bass, mother of T. S. Stewart, is seriously ill. Miss Ernie Talbert is suffering with a dangerous spell of, heart trouble. Her critical condition has alarmed her family and friends. Mrs. Nichols, of Denver, is in the city. The protracted meeting at the A. M. E. Church has terminated with but small results.

Mr. George Holcomb is able to be out again. Mrs. W. H. Willis was called to Aspen on Feb. 27, by the illness of her brother, Lincoln Fulkerson, and ere she reached his bedside he he had breathed his last. He leaves a wife. Mrs. S. J. Motley is just recovering from a severe attack of the grip. Mr. Case, of Kansas City, was here last week. Mrs. J. W. Young was the representative of the Ida B. Wells Republican Club at the the Republican primary election on the 4th, Mr. J. H Sheppard and Mr. Charles Sprague represented the Abraham Lincoln Club at the same convention. There was a great demand for The Freeman of March 2d.

A Douglass Day—Resolutions Passed.

Forest City, Ark., Special.

Pursuant to a call made by some of the leading colored men of this place, between four and five hundred colored people met at 2:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Feb. 25, and held memorial services in honor of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass. The services were held in the First Baptist Church and were as follows: Scripture reading, Psalm xix, Prof. H. G. Harrison; hymn, "Why Should We Start?" by congregation; prayer, Rev. James M. Sugg; song, "In Thy Cleft, O Rock of Ages," choir: sacred eulogy, Rev. A. Dobson. Rev. Dobson's text was from II Samuel, iii, 38, and reads thus: "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen in Israel?" The speaker spoke for twenty minutes, and his discourse was one continuous strain of elcquence. When he closed the choir sang "Steal Away to Jesus," after which Mr. W. E. Duncan spoke of "Douglass as a Slave." During his speech he was applauded very frequently. "My Country, 'tis of Thee," was next sung by the choir, and while the echoes from that grand old song were reverberating from every corner of the house, Prof. J. H. Blount began speaking of the great statesman and orator. In the midst of his speech he said, "All great men have marble statues or monuments to mark their resting place, but the Hon. Frederick Douglass does not need any." Prof. P. C. Rountree, Prof. H G. Harrison, Dr. D. M. Darden, Rev. Pompey Hampton and Rev. J. C. Bell also addressed the audience.

The following resolutions were reported:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the great Omnipotent of heaven to remove from the arena of life Hon. Frederick Douglass, who has spent his life for the sacred cause of liberty and justice, and

WHEREAS, We feel that in the death of Hon. Frederick Douglass the race has lost a champion, the country a grand and noble citizen, and the Luman family a friend, we, the colored citizens of Forrest City, Ark., desiring to record our high appreciation of the character and services of the distinguished dead, and to express our heartfelt sympathy with his family in their sad bereavement, do pass the following resolutions:

First—That as long as life shall last in our feeble bodies, we will cherish the memory of this grand and noble man, and hold him up to our posterity as a great example of manly courage and magnanimity worthy of emulation.

Second—That copies of these resolution be sent to his family, and also to the leading Negro papers for publication.

REV. A. W. DOBSON, Chairman.
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New Minister.

St. David, Ill., Special.

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Morgantown, W. Va., Special.

Rev. Dr. R. S. Smith left Sunday for conference at Richmond, Va. The Freeman will be on sale at Harris' tonsorial parlor, 127 Walnut street. Edward Harris spent several days at Fairmont on legal business last week. Henry Snider will build and launch a large excursion boat in about June.

Mrs. U. G. Slanter of the west side has been indisposed the past week. A. H. Brown has invented a cream balm for barbers' use. Anyone wishing the pictures of Hon. Frederick Douglass can get them from the agent of The Freeman here. C. A. Biggs, law student, will go before the bar at next court.

The Douglass Memorial.

Waco, Tex., Special.

The Douglass memorial took place Sunday evening. Over 1,500 had assembled. Prof. H. T. Kealing, of Paul Quinn College, orator of the day paid an eloquent tribute to Mr. Douglass. He presented Mr. Douglass was parallel to Gladstone. While Gladstone was born in wealth and admitted to the finest school in England, Douglass was denied a spelling book. Gladstone had all the benefits of cultured society, Douglass had to undergo the curse of a slave law. Prof Kealing spoke for fully two hours. Dr. Albey Whitman, the poet laureate came forth and read a poem and the choir sung, "Nearer My God to Thee" The Freeman, the greatest Negro journal on earth, was scattered among the crowd, both white and colored scrambled to get it.

Cantata of Estner.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

The Freeman entertained her readers upon Frederick Douglass' death. Our well known colored drug store has made quite an improvement both inside and out. Their bay window is is quite attractive. The convention that was held in this city at Thompson Hall on the 27th and 28th was very much carried away. Rev. A M Middlebrook's paper upon Frederick Douglass, Rev. E C. Morris of Helena, Dr. Jackson of this city, and Rev. Kincaid and others made it quite interesting. The headquarters of The Freeman will be found at the Walter M. Jones' cigar stand in Jones' Hall. Papers will be found on sale every week. The beautiful cantata of Esther was given at Bethel A. M. E church. It was one of the finest ever witnessed in our city; the program was carried out and conducted very nicely and good order was given.

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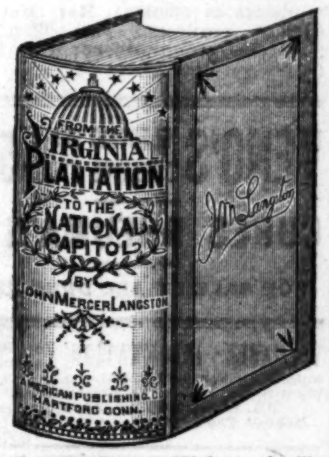

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Miss Lottie Lewis has gone to the Lake City.

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Miss Georgia Stevenson is home from Muncie.

Mrs Anderson Lewis, of Talbott Avenue, is sick.

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James Williams of Bloomington was in the city last week.

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Mrs. Mary Latimore, of Noblesville, was in the city the first of the week.

Rev. L. A. Hagood is away this week, attending conference at Paris, Ky.

Miss Minnie McDuffy, a teacher in the Bloomington school spent a part of last week in the city.

Miss Florence Anthony of Seymour has been visiting in the city, the guest of Dr. Morgan's family.

Memorial exercises in honor of Frederick Douglass will be held at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday night.

A Sunday-school institute of an undenominational character was organized on last Sunday at Simpson Chapel.

Maurice F. White, manager of the coming Herculean Extravaganza, assures you of the grand time you will have at Bethel, April 2d.

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Personal Mention.

Several Indianapolitans are in attendance at the M E. Conference now in session at Paris, Ky.

During the past week the Hon. G. L. Knox has addressed Douglass Memorial meetings at Allen Chapel and North Indianapolis.

Elwood Knox, treasurer of The Freeman, left last Monday night via the Big Four, for localities in the far South and Southwest. He will be absent a number of weeks.

Mrs. Dolla Lewis, evangelist is expected in Indianapolis shortly to rest up from a very successful period of evangelistic work in different cities and villages of Kentucky.

The Collegiate Contest.

The State oratorical contest, which transpired Thursday evening, March 8, at English's Opera House, was largely, and we may add enthusiastically, attended, It being the first time the race was ever represented in such a contest in Indiana, quite a sprinkling of Afro-Americans were present, but compared to our population—the shame of it—but a sprinkling. The different colleges and their representatives were: State University, Preston E. Eagleson (colored); Franklin, Frank Martin; D Pauw, M L. Daggy; Butler, John Butler; Wabash, Chas Leech; Earlham, Nellie E Wood, the charming little lady who scored first prize, Mr. Eagelson receiving fourth, although the Indianapolis Journal voiced the sentiment of many in declaring the drift of judgement to have been he would have been accorded a higher rating. As it is Mr. Eagelson takes the matter philosophically, and will no doubt contest for first place once more a year hence.

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Next Tuesday, the 9th the "Daughters of Allen" will give a grand entertainment at Vermont St A. M. E church. Profs Shelton and Gibbs, assisted by Katie Clay, Chas Daniels and others will make up the program. Admission: children 10c; adults 15c.

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The Douglass Memorial

Held at Simpson Chapel last Thursday night was largely attended. The exercises generally were of a high order of merit. Dr. Hagood presided. Papers and addresses were made by Dr Henderson, Wm. Lewis, Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox, Hon. G. L. Knox, Dr. Sumner Furniss and W. Allison Sweeney. It was a worthy occasion, due the memory of a great man.

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The colored and white pastors of this city has formed a union ministerial association. Rev. J. E Smith (colored) was elected moderator, and Rev. Berry (white), secretary. The committee recommended the following ministers as officers: Rev. McCallie (white), president; Rev. Thompson (colored), vice-president; Rev. Berry (white), secretary.

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